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Trying to recover from a long morning, VCHS students sit on the stage and socialize.

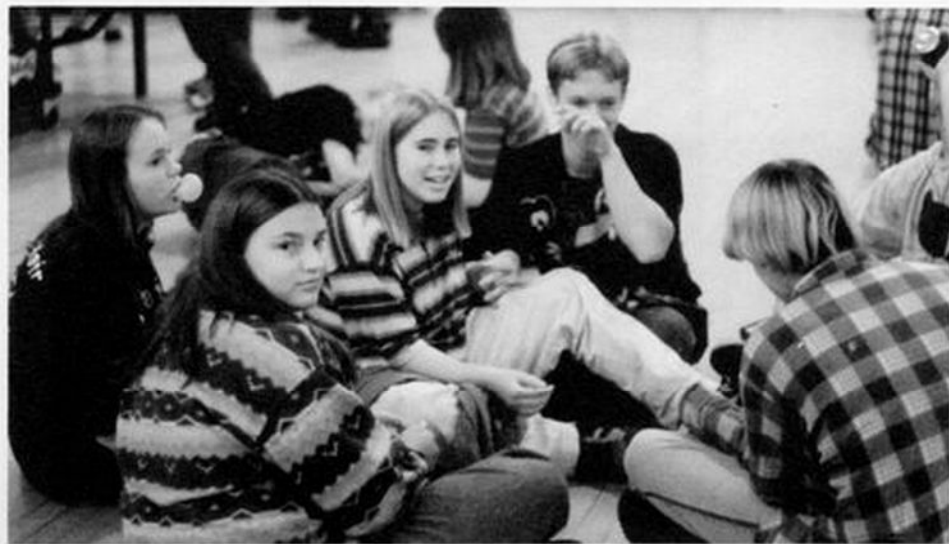
Heading to their next class are juniors Chad Carpenter, Amanda Sharp, and Abbie Flegel.





Making the Pieces Fit: The First Days of School

The first days of school were spent getting back on track from summer vacation. Students got back in touch with friends with conversations about their summer activities. During these days you will meet a variety of different people. No matter what your interest, you can always find something to become involved in. Many students became involved in clubs and sports. During this time soccer, football, volleyball, and cheerleading have begun their seasons. For the freshmen, the first days of school are the hardest; they spend this time trying to fit in and make new friends. Sophomores start the year knowing what to expect and are glad not to be the "newcomers." Juniors and seniors, being experienced, start off the year being settled in, while they look forward to their futures and what they want to accomplish during the year. Teachers spend these days getting students to forget about summer and getting back into their school activities. They also remind students of classroom rules and to obey the school policies.



Showing their spirit during the powderpuff football game are sophomores Tasha Dunbrack and Bobby Sharp.

Students find time during their lunch shift to talk and spend time together. Each student quickly found his or her "place" to spend free time.



Student life at FCHS begins with getting to know other students. At GI camp, counselors involve students in fun activities to acquaint them with one another.



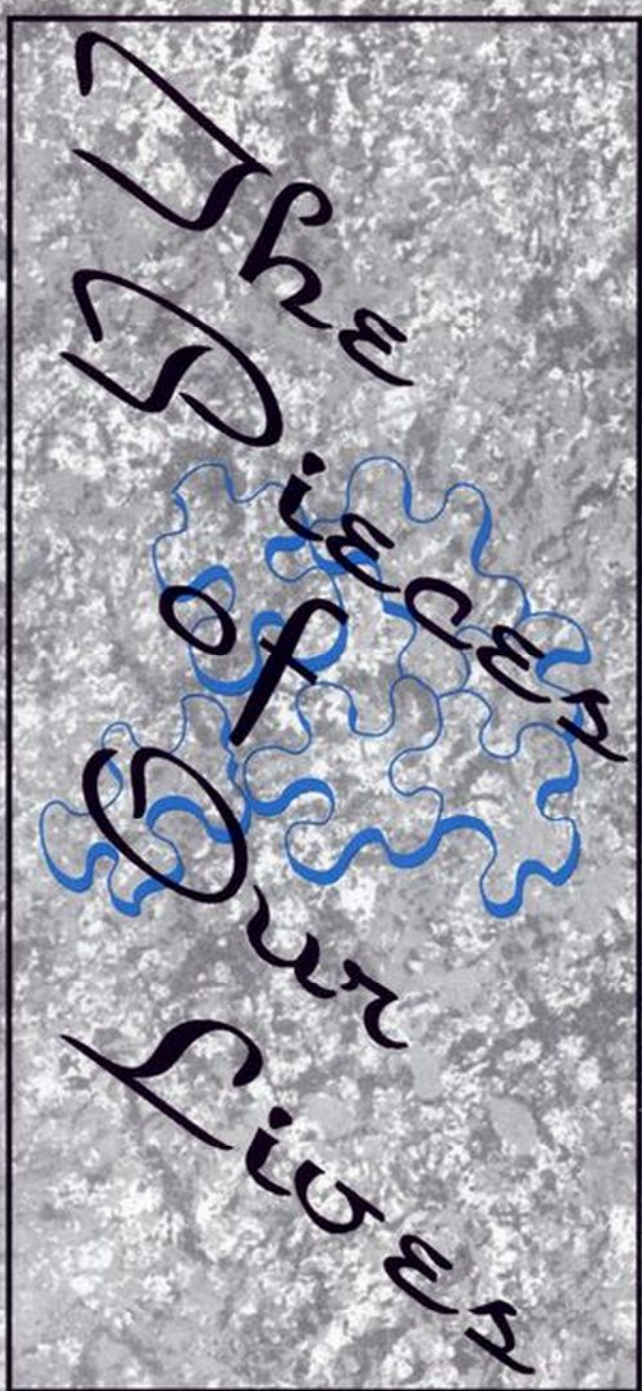


Student Life is one of the most important parts of high school. These are times to talk with friends and just have fun.

Each class got to show who had the most school spirit during Spirit Week. This was a fun time for students, especially getting to compete with each other during the powder-puff football game. They ended the week with the Homecoming football game and the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen.

Sadie Hawkins is a time for students to compete in different games and activities. College Night and Career Day were very helpful for students. During College Night, representatives came from different schools and Armed Forces to share information about their schools and careers. Career Day was a time for adults to share with students information about their jobs and answer questions one might have about education and requirements.

Prom night was a very special night brought together by the Junior class. Prom is a time for couples and friends to share a night of dining and dancing. Finally for Seniors came Graduation, a day well earned.



MANY NEW PUZZLE PIECES

August 17, 1996 the Youth Staff for GI camp went to Minnehaha Springs to get ready for the incoming freshman on Monday. They planned a pool party and picnic for Monday night, a dance for Tuesday night and much, much more.

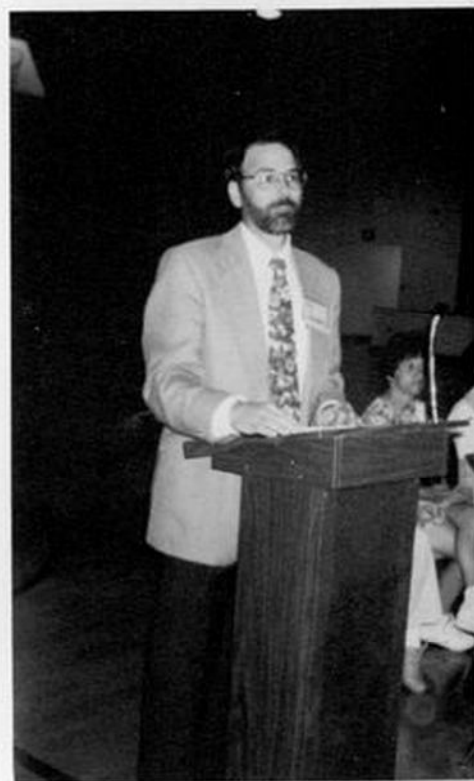
The freshmen came in on Monday and got settled. During that day, the freshmen met with their family groups. In these groups, feelings were shared and friendships begun. Also during that day campers attended four sessions: Confused? Why Choose? Your Choice? and Is it Love? All these sessions centered on helping the freshmen with some high school problems. Also, on Monday night Greg Knight was the guest speaker, and he spoke about the importance of abstinence.

Freshman camp at Minnehaha Springs was not only fun for the campers, but the Youth Staff had a blast also. The Youth Staff consisted of upperclassmen and Jim Wiley, their advisor: Jim Wiley, junior Karen Ray, junior Abbie Flegel, sophomore Shanna McComb, junior Justin Elta, senior Chris Cole, sophomore Branden Fedak, senior Aaron Vaughan, sophomore Margaret Clark, senior Jessica VanRoenan, junior Martha Snyder, senior Elizabeth Clark, senior Jamie Friel, junior Martha Snyder, senior Dane Sizemore, sophomore Joy Carpenter, sophomore Krissy Keller, junior Jessie Estep, sophomore Crystal Buchanan, senior Katie Keller, and senior Cindy Jackson.

On Tuesday night, Mr. Alderman DJ'd a dance and provided an evening for "boogying down." Almost everyone got out on the floor and did the "Macarena"!

On Wednesday, when they were to depart, many were not anxious to leave. It was a really good experience for the freshmen and a great camp for all.

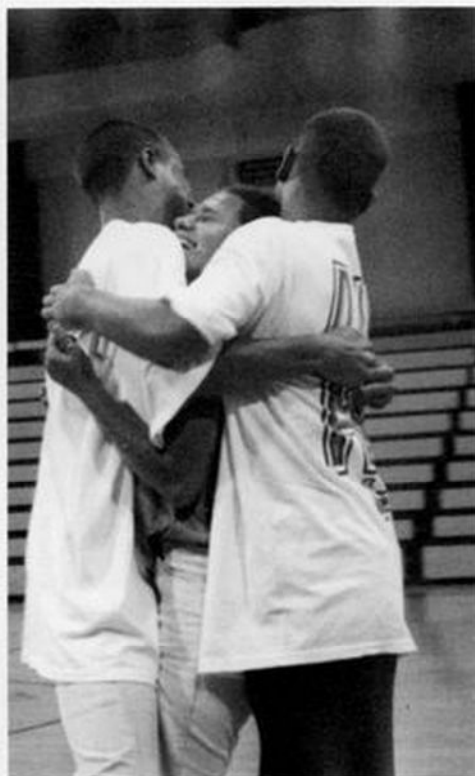
At freshman orientation, Mr. Sanders, our new principal, gave the freshmen a warm welcome and introduced them to the teaching staff.





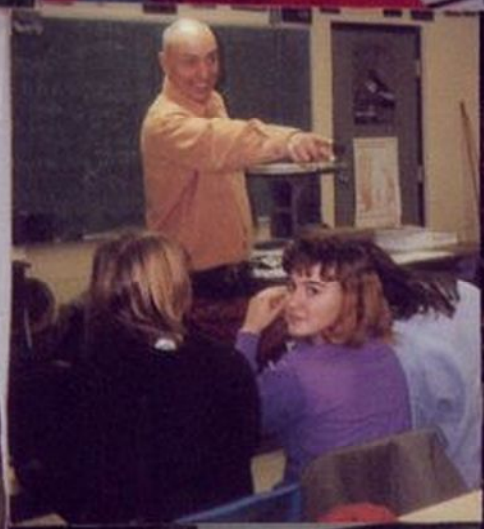
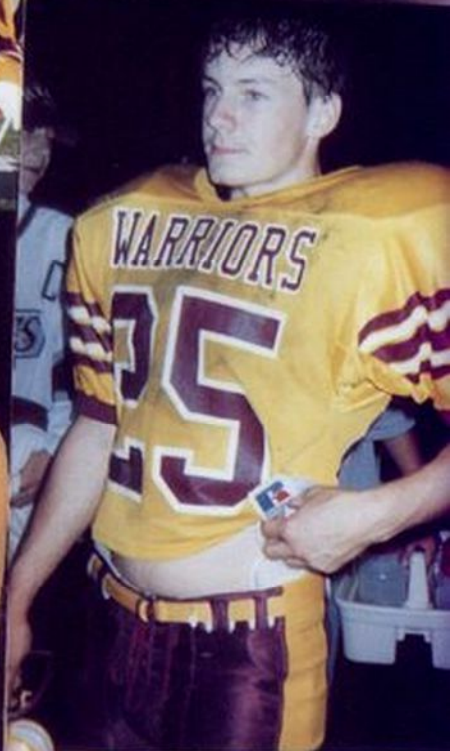
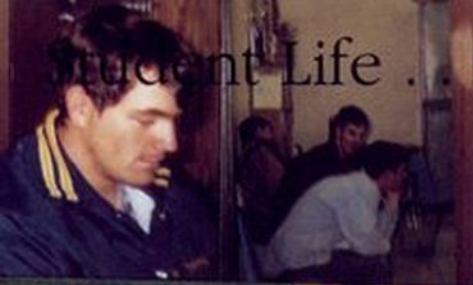
Freshman Harry Fisher is concentrating on puzzle pieces he collected from friends. All freshmen were given a puzzle piece at orientation to try to form a "freshman puzzle."

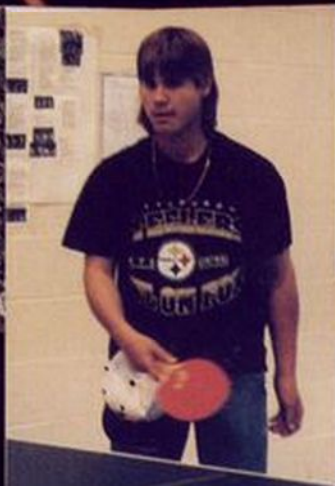
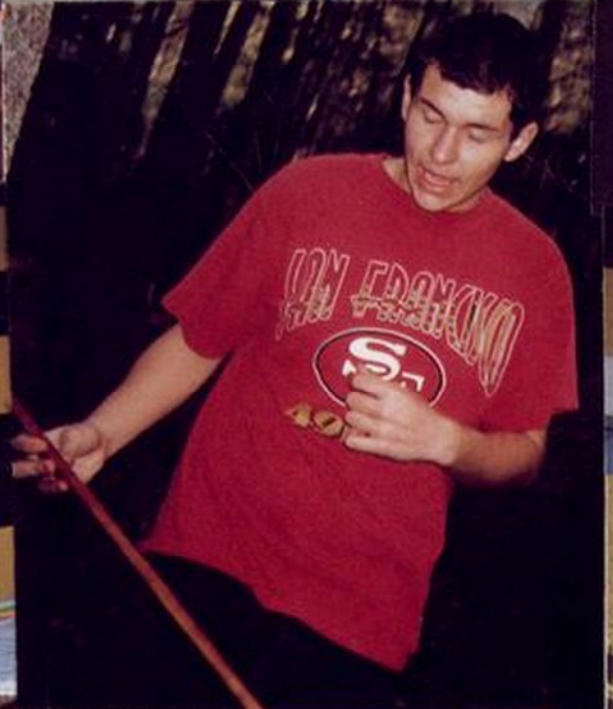
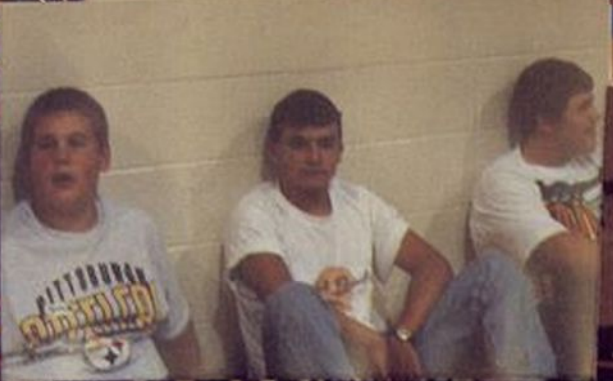
Junior Jessie Estep seems to be in a "jam." Junior Justin Elza and sophomore Branden Fedak are demonstrating one of the common hugs at the high school, the "Sandwich Hug?"



Freshmen Samantha Shaw, Melissa Painter, Sarah Parker, Blair Sharp and Clayton Seldomridge are waiting for the activities to begin on the football field on Orientation Day. The Teen Institute and faculty planned some games to help the freshmen get acquainted.







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To show support for our athletes, the traditional Spirit Week was held during Homecoming Week with the theme "We're Stuck on Warriors."

Spirit Week started on Wednesday, October 16, with Bandaid/Backwards, Inside-out Day. Thursday was Stuffed Animal/50's Day, where you could either dress as someone from the 50's and/or bring a stuffed animal. On Friday was the traditional Maroon and Gold Day when everyone dressed up and painted their faces with our school colors.

The seniors placed first on all three dress-up days. Bulletin boards were put together by each class to show their school spirit. Freshmen came in first,

followed by sophomores, seniors, then juniors.

A spirit stick was passed around and creatively decorated during the week by each class. A victory again for seniors, then the freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

The powderpuff football game took place Friday afternoon. This is when the girls play football and the guys are cheerleaders.

In the final game, the undefeated seniors placed first for the fourth time, followed by the sophomores, juniors, then freshmen.

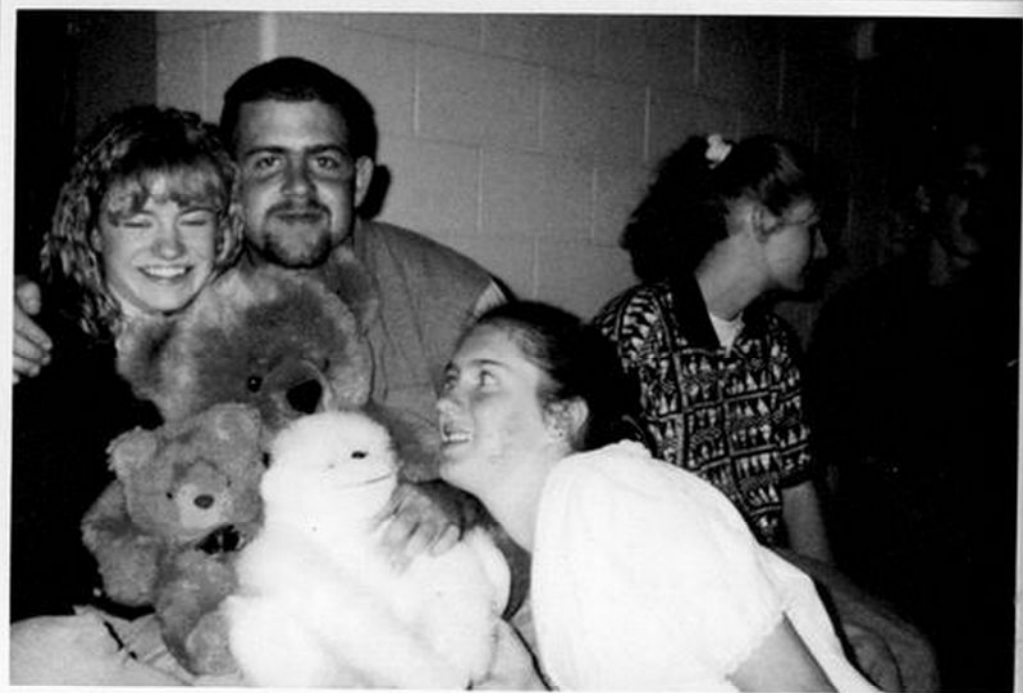
mores, juniors, then freshmen.

After the game there was a pep rally held in the gym by the cheerleaders. They cheered and got everyone pumped up for the big game, with the football, volleyball, and soccer players and cheerleaders being introduced.

After all events were over, the seniors came in first place with 59½ points, the sophomores in second with 39½, the freshmen in third with 38, and following were the juniors with 32½ points.

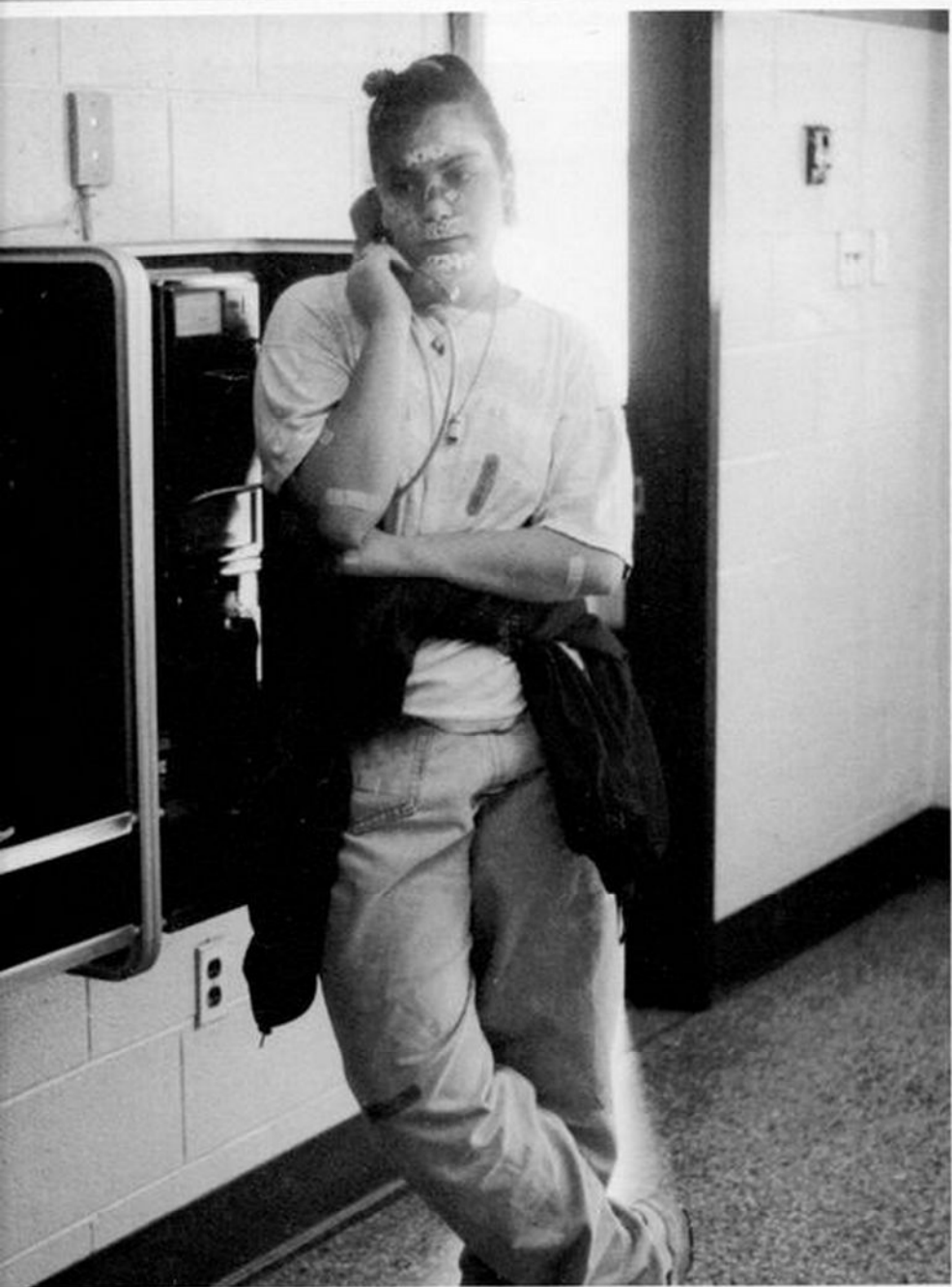


Seniors Kathleen Lacasse and Cindy Jackson are all smiles during Spirit Week's Bandaid/Inside-out, Backwards Day.



Thursday, Stuffed Animal Day, was a nice way for seniors Susan Totten, Jimmy Holbert, and Aleisha Broce to show their spirit.





Senior Stephanie Nelson shows a lot of spirit on Bandida/Inside-out, Backwards Day.

Vice Principal Mr. Wade shows off himself and the spirit stick on Maroon and Gold Day.



Anita Grimes, senior, looks excited and ready to begin the big day.

Junior class president Jon Michael Bosley and junior class secretary Amanda McComb get stuck selling advanced tickets to the Homecoming dance during lunch.

A PIECE OF OUR LIVES

The twenty-seventh annual Homecoming was held at P.C.H.S. on Friday, October 18, amid terribly cold, rainy, snowy weather.

The theme for the 1996 Homecoming week was "We're Stuck on Warriors." To get the football team excited, a pep rally was held that afternoon after the traditional "powderpuff football games."

At 7 p.m. the Homecoming game began. The Homecoming attendants and their escorts rode to the field on a float; but due to the cold and rain they returned to the school until halftime.

The Warriors played Tygarts Valley in an exciting game. The Warriors pulled out to a 7 to 6 lead at halftime.

At halftime the Homecoming court returned to

the field. The band played "The Dance" as the attendants and their escorts walked onto the field.

Silence fell over the crowd as everyone anxiously awaited for the King and Queen to be announced. "One Moment in Time" was played by the band as Lora Calhoun and Jonathan Owens were crowned Queen and King.

The traditional Homecoming dance was sponsored by the junior class. The music was provided by a D.J. from White Sulphur Springs. Students and alumni mingled. They had a good time and hated to see Homecoming '96 come to an end.

The rainy weather was a minor setback for all the attendants and candidates, although the umbrellas made the float more colorful.



The 1996 Homecoming Court



Senior attendant Jennifer Cox and escort Jason Ulderich.



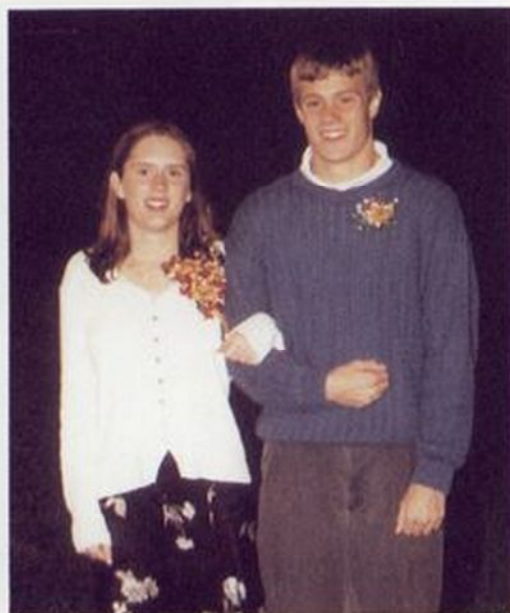
Junior attendant Amanda Ervine and escort Drew Taylor.



Sophomore attendant Jennifer Gum and escort Josh Shinaberry.



Queen and King candidates Christina Moore and Luke Bennett.



Queen and King candidates Aleisha Broce and Randy Friel.



Freshman attendant Alison Flegel and escort Clayton Seldomridge.



The HOUR

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Noontime is probably considered the best part of the school day. With the change to block scheduling, lunch was an hour long, leaving plenty of time to do whatever it was a person wanted or needed to do.

There were many special things that one could do at lunch other than socializing. Clubs were held on different days and times of the week. There were intramurals, where students picked their own teams and competed with each other in events like volleyball, ping-pong, and basketball. Some teachers put in part of their lunch break to tutor students who were having a hard time or who needed to make up work. All teachers had duties.

There was a mock election held during a lunchtime in November, where students registered to vote and chose who they want-

ed for President, etc.

Mr. Alderman sometimes had a Noon-Hour Cafe where students could sing, dance, and perform in front of the other students in the cafeteria. Sometimes special guests were brought in to perform.

Trista Rexrode came to the noontime cafe to entertain P.C.J. students.



Junior Brian Smith shows off his strength on the stage during his free time.

Senior James Peteete, sophomore Jennifer Gum, and senior David Rexrode take a look at the new jukebox in the cafeteria.





Freshman Blair Sharp hosts the mock election sponsored by the ESSH class at lunch.



Sophomore Justin Vandevender was the intramural singles ping-pong champion.



The doubles pingpong champs were juniors Chad Baldwin and Shawn Owen.



Terry Barb taught line dancing special noontime activity. Seniors Dan Terry and Shannon Barnisky took a few lessons.



Velda Warner, Nashville recording artist, sang at the noontime cafe. In February she also did a concert for the student body.



Seniors Luke Bennett, Lora Calhoun, David Young, Paul Barb, Jenny Cox, juniors Ginger Beverage, David Simmons, and Philip Lehman made up the Champion Volleyball team.



Chefs from the Greenbrier display one of their ice sculptures at the cafeteria. They did sculptures at noontime on the front



Three-on-three basketball champions: senior Randy Friel, juniors Danny Sharp and Wayne Worth.



CLUBS IN ACTION!

Student Council

Jon Michael Bosley
Jenny Cox-Secretary
Justin Elza
Abbie Flegel
Alison Flegel
Hollie Hollandsworth
Ginger Henry
Amanda McComb
Shanna McComb

Megan McGee
Scott Moore
Katrina Richards-Vice President
Clayton Seldomridge
Suzanne Stewart
Megan Terry-Treasurer
David Young-President
Mrs. Hall
Mr. Stewart
Mrs. Vance



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Evan Bosley
Jason Brock
Travis Burner
Leo Cain
Chris Campbell
J.R. Carden
Nathaniel Clutter
Chris Cole
Shawn Coleman
Jamie Daniels
Jennifer Evans
John Evans
Jessica Evans
Mike Goldizen
Emery Grimes
Randall Grimes
Joe Hicks
Amanda Johnson
Chris McClure

Brad McDaniels
Billy McKenney
Derek McLaughlin
Danny Meeks
Clinton Morris
Kristin Morris
Pete Murry
Stephanie Nelson
Brad Nelson
Kris Nutter
James Peteete
Bryan Pugh
Kelly Rataiczak
David Rexrode
Eric Ricottilli
Joe Rider
Willie Rose
Rhonda Sacra
Susan Sharp
Robert L. Sharp
Dustin Simmons

Lori Spencer
Chad Taylor
Drew Taylor
Adam Taylor
Shawn Taylor
Jason Ulderich
Richard Underwood
Travis Underwood
Justin Vandevan
Tonya Waybright
Tad Wilfong
Mr. Burns
Mr. Riley



Ski Club

Craig Baldwin
Chad Baldwin
Paul Barb
Jonah Bauserman
Jeff Bauserman
Ian Bennett
Kristen Bennett
Brian Beverage
Jason Brickles
Amanda Bronson
Tonya Brown
Perlina Browning
Missy Buchanan
Jamie Burgess
Pam Buzzard
Kellyn Cassell
Chris Cole
Chad Corbett
Jennifer Deputy
Justin Elza
Darren Enderby
Jason Ervine
Amanda Ervine
Jessie Estep
Branden Fedak
William Fischl
Allison Flegel
Abbie Flegel
Jeff Fox
Rusty Friend
Matt Gay

Carol Gibson
Katrina Goechner
Josh Grogg
Erik Heineman
Baron Heineman
Sam Herold
Jimmy Holbert
Aaron Huffman
Joel Johnson
Ethan Johnson
Matt Jones
Charles Judy
Katie Keller
Krissy Keller
Chad Kizer
Mike Lacosse
Jessie Landis
Ashley Lewis
Richard Love
Amanda McComb
Shana McComb
Scott McGee
Brook McLaughlin
Joyce McLaughlin
Jessica McLaughlin
James McLaughlin
Valerie Mills
Trevor Nelson
Brad Nelson
Sarah Parker
Carmen Pennington
Katrina Richards

Eric Ricottilli
Justin Rider
Travis Vandevender
Josh Vaughan
Aaron Vaughan
Phillip Wade
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David Young
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Mrs. Burns
Mr. Burns
Mr. Hall
Mr. Herold
Mrs. Howell
Mrs. Mossesso
Mr. Sanders
Mr. Shank
Mr. Sheets
Mr. Wade
Mrs. Wiley
Mr. Zeigler



Project Christmas

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Perlina Browning
Pam Buzzard
Joy Carpenter
Shanna Clutter
Tosha Combs
Jennifer Deputy
Jamie Friel
Hollie Huskins
Kim Hendrick
Krissy Keller
Tamsyn Kerr

Sheila Kramer
Hope May
Jennifer Miller
Carmen Pennington
Teresa Phillips
Kelly Rataiczak
Jessica VanReenan
Mike VanReenan
Justin Rider
Rhonda Sacra
Brandy Schoolcraft
Amanda Shinaberry
Martha Snyder
Autumn Totten

Aaron Vaughn
Angela Weader
Mrs. Beveras
Mrs. Keller
Mrs. Wiley





French Honor Society
 Mandy Beverage
 Mandy Beverage
 Elizabeth Clark-President
 Margaret Clark
 Dunsel Gum
 Bekah Hannah
 Sam Herold
 Mandy Jackson
 Justin Jesselli
 Chelsea Lacasse-Treasurer

Tatiana Mynuk
 Katrina Richards
 Jessica VanReenan-Vice President
 Justin Rider
 Jeni Weatherholt
 Michelle Wimer
 David Young-Secretary
 Dr. McNeel



4-M Leadership

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 Shana Clutter
 Jennifer Deputy-Secretary
 Katrina Goehner
 Baron Meinemann
 Erik Meinemann-Treasurer
 Beth Henry
 Ginger Henry
 Sam Herold
 Katie Keller
 Krissy Keller-Vice President
 Hope May
 Amanda McComb

Shanna McComb
 Billy Perkins
 Jason Potter
 Matthew Rhea
 Kenny Seldomridge
 Josh Shinberry
 Cheryl Simmons
 David Simmons
 Aaron Vaughan-President
 Mrs. Keller
 Mrs. Williams

VICA
 Phillip Anderson
 Russell Arbogast
 Jonah Bauserman
 Daffney Brown
 Perlina Browning
 William Browning
 Mark Buzzard
 Jennifer Evans
 John Evans
 William Fischl
 Jamie Friel
 Rusty Friend
 Tommy Grubb

Charlene Hamilton
 Richard Hefner
 Joseph Nicks
 Josh Hoover
 Fane Irvine
 Clint Johnson
 Jeremiah Junkins
 Chad Kizer
 Daniel McGee
 Scott McGee
 Kenny Seldomridge
 Andrew Sharp
 Brian Sharp

Brian Smith
 Richard Tawney
 Aaron Vaughan
 Richard Via
 Mr. Beverage
 Mr. Taylor
 Mr. Thompson
 Mr. Zeigler

Thespians

Rachel Barb
 Mandy Beverage
 Amanda Childers
 Edwina Childers
 Elizabeth Clark
 Margaret Clark
 Shanna Clark
 Charlene Hamilton
 Cindy Jackson
 Ethan Johnson
 Joel Johnson
 Kathleen Lacasse
 Emily Morton
 Tatiana Mynuk
 Jonathan Smith
 Jessica VanReenan
 Aaron Vaughan
 Angela Weadon
 Mrs. Clark



National Honor Society
 Phillip Anderson
 Ginger Beverage
 Aleisha Broce
 Amanda Childers
 Elizabeth Clark-V.Pres.
 Jenny Cox
 Randy Doss
 Amanda Ervine
 Jessie Estep
 Abbie Flegel
 Erik Heinmann
 Kimberly Hendrick
 Beth Henry
 Chanda Hill
 Cindy Jackson
 Ethan Johnson

Kristy Kane
 Katie Keller
 Tamsyn Kerr
 Kathleen Lacasse
 Crystal McCarty
 Amanda McComb
 Ben Moore
 Tatiana Mynuk
 Katrina Richards-Treas.
 Justin Rider
 Brandy Schoolcraft
 David Simmons
 Nathaniel Sizemore
 Hanna Smith-Sec.
 Brian Smith
 Martha Snyder
 Jason Ulderich

Jessica VanKeenan
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 Wayne Worth
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 Mrs. Stewart



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 Carrie Burns
 Joy Carpenter
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 Jennifer Deputy
 Jessie Estep
 Kimberly Gelis
 Cindy Jackson
 Krissy Keller
 Shanna McComb
 Joye McLaughlin
 Kristin Morris
 Karen Ray
 Matt Rhea

Justin Rider
 Amanda Shinaberry
 Dane Sizemore
 Martha Snyder
 Mike VanKeenan
 Mrs. Beverage
 Mrs. Keller
 Mr. Thompson
 Mr. Wade

4-H Forestry

Evan Bosley
 Jason Broce
 Jason Brock
 Travis Burner
 Jason Cassell
 Nathaniel Clutter
 Jamie Daniels
 Jennifer Evans
 Jessica Evans
 Mike Goldizen
 Randall Grimes
 Emery Grimes
 Johnny Landis
 Chris McClure

Derek McLaughlin
 Danny Meeks
 James Peteete
 Joe Rider
 Drew Taylor
 Shawn Taylor
 Adam Taylor
 Jason Ulderich
 Travis Underwood
 Justin Wagner
 Mr. Burns



Horse Club

Amy Anderson
Amanda Childers
Edwina Childers
Jennifer Deputy
Kimshea Galford
Jeremy Hall
Kathleen Lacasse
Robbie Sharp
Mike Turner

Ms. Blankenship
Mrs. Sharpes



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Randy Friel
Andrea Hefner-Secretary/Treasurer
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Shelia Kramer
Jenny Tuttle
Karen Friel



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Winning Efforts

Members of the Science Bowl team are seniors Kathleen Loe, Tatiana Dzynuk, Nathaniel Sizemore, Hanna Smith, and sophomore Justin Jesselli.

Trips and competitions are very important to the students and clubs at P.C.H.S. Without them, students wouldn't be as involved in school activities.

Many clubs, groups, and individual students participated in various events. The band participated in many competitions throughout the state; FFA went to Kansas City, Missouri, for their national competition; and FBLA went to Charleston for their state competition. UICA went to Elkins for their state competition and came back with many awards. Phillip Anderson got 1st place for his prepared speech. The Opening and Closing team won 3rd in the state, and the Chapter Business Procedures team won 1st in the state and go on to Kansas City, along with Phillip. Also, many students came back winners from the Social Studies Fair, the Science Bowl, Math Field Day, and the Foreign Language Festival held at Bethany College.

Members of the FBLA Chapter traveled to Charleston for state competition on April 11 and 12.



Charlene Hamilton stands proud with the victory while her UICA teammates back her up at the state competition in Elkins.



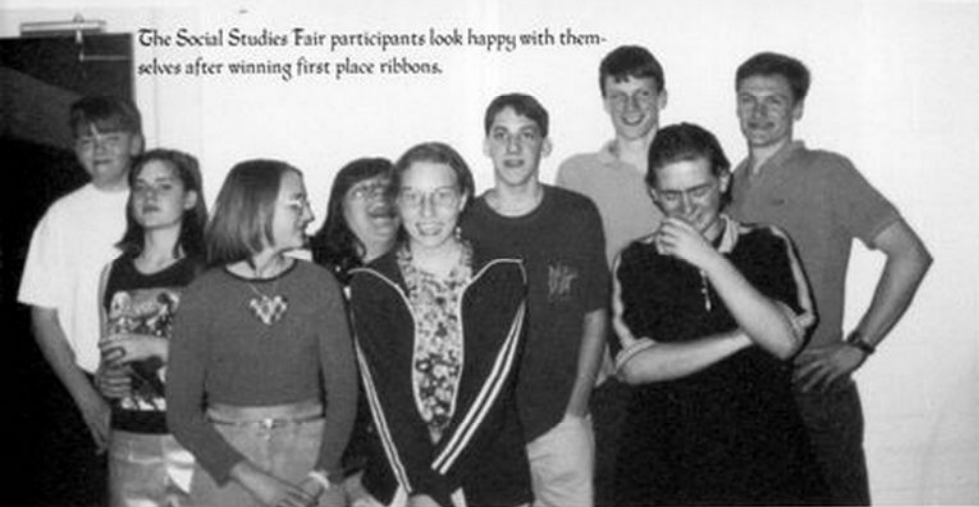


The band looks ready to go at their competition at Greenbrier East.

Math Field Day winners who qualified for states are Kathleen Lacasse, Michael Lacasse, and Josh Carpenter.



The Social Studies Fair participants look happy with themselves after winning first place ribbons.



Foreign Language students traveled to Bethany College for Foreign Language Day, April 23 and 24.

Placing 2nd in the Nationals for Forestry are seniors Adam Taylor, Danny Weeks, Jason Uldrich, Sponsor Mike Burns, and James Peteete.



Working Hard for the Future! Jobs and Out-of-School Activities

Jobs and special activities are what quite a few students at Pocahontas County High do on their time out of school. There are many students who work at different kinds of jobs, such as Snowshoe, the River Place Restaurant, Pocahontas Foodland, Little General, Subway, Ryder's Restaurant, and the Boyer Restaurant. Many students work long hours in the evenings after school to pay for such things as vehicles and apartments.

Other students do different things out of school besides work, such as showing cattle or poultry for 4-H, helping out around the community with churches, and joining in outdoor competitions: fishing, biking, hunting, skiing, and archery.



"It's hard to come to school and work all day and have to go home and work all evening." - Brad McDaniels.



Senior Randy Friel ran for the Charleston Striders in a National Competition.



Senior Russell Pritt won first place in a Compound Bow competition in Pocahontas County.



Junior David Simmons works hard as a ski instructor at Snowshoe, teaching young ones how to ski.

Senior Kimberly Hendrick has been selected for the National Miss Teen of America Scholarship program in San Diego, California.

Senior Katie Keller receives her 4-H All Star pin from her 4-H leader Rene White. This is the highest award in 4-H.



Tom Kelly, senior, bags groceries at Pocahontas Foodland in Clinton.

Rene Strader, senior, works at Chuck's Lunch Box in Marlinton. He gets orders out.



Senior Jeff Fox works hard at winning, 1st in downhill, 2nd in dual slalom, and 3rd in cross country in the Norba American Mountain Bike Challenge held at Snowshoe.



Fitting In ASSEMBLIES

Besides the fact of getting out of class, assemblies offer a chance to gather with friends and become involved with activities in the school.

To start assemblies off, the annual Elf Auction was held. Students and teachers alike volunteered to be someone's "Elf for a Day" to benefit Project Christmas. Seventeen elves were sold, and over \$600 was made. The money went for making Remembrance Boxes for community members.

Next was the Sadie Hawkins Day assembly, which was filled with competitions among the four classes. These competitions included many contests designed to spur class spirit and pride.

The results of the day were: Juniors first, Sen-

iors second, Freshmen third, and Sophomores fourth.

Country singer Velda Warner gave a concert for the student body as a fund raiser for the junior class.

Connie Keplinger did a heart-felt performance concerning drunk driving and its effects on her son and others like him.

Driver Ed. obtained an extra lesson this year on "blind spots" from Burns Motor Freight.

The final assembly was held on May 14 when the Glenville Percussion Ensemble performed. Former graduates Della Cassell and Nancy Jo Mullens were among the performers.



Performing with the Glenville State College Percussion Ensemble is alumna Della Cassell, as she shows off her musical talents.



Sophomore Ginger Ware has a one-on-one chat with Connie Keplinger after her heart-warming talk with students about drinking and driving.

The singing talents of Velda Warner were warmly welcomed by the student body.



Along with her Driver Ed. class, junior Karen Ray is informed by Sam Felton, safety director for Burns Motor Freight, about "blind spots."



Sadie Hawkins Day

Ginger Henry and Andrew Rider, freshmen, are doing their best to score points for their class during the life-saver relay.



Working well together are seniors Jenny Cox and "Buckwheat" McDaniels as they try to take the lead in the wheelbarrow race.



Full of Christmas cheer are seniors Jessica VanRoenan and Cindy Jackson as they wait to see who their buyer will be at the annual Project Christmas Elf Auction.



Charise Judy and Jennifer Evans, freshmen, try to keep in step with one another during the three-legged race.

Jennifer Retrode and Johnny Landis, freshmen, seem to be enjoying themselves as they prepare for the start of the piggy-back race.



Junior Beth Henry concentrates on passing the life-saver on to junior Brian Smith, while Richard Hefner awaits his turn.



Dancing

the Night Away

The 1997 Junior-Senior prom on May 3 was held at "The Connection" at Snowshoe. The theme was "From Dusk Till Dawn," and the colors were blue and silver.

Despite the wind and rain, the evening began at 8:00. No dinner was served this year, but hors d'ourves and soft drinks were provided.

Besides the D.J., there were three large screens that showed the videos while the songs were playing.

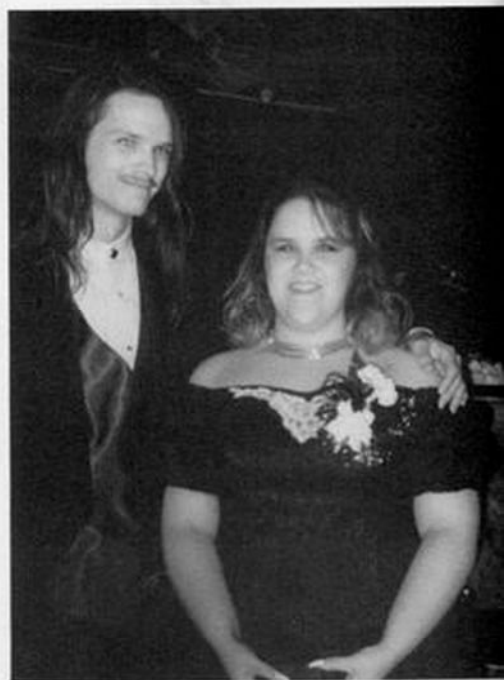
During the course of the evening students could get their pictures taken, shoot pool, or play foosball.

Everyone voted for King and Queen by open ballot. At 10:00, Ryan Mickle and Crystal Ray were crowned King and Queen along with attendants, Jessie Estep and David Simmons.

The prom ended at 11:00 for most. Some, however, attended the after-prom, which was held at Marlinton Middle School.

Eventhough students battled rain, snow, and fog, the 1997 prom was a success.

Having a great time are senior Bucky Foe and junior Andrea Dufrasne.



Concentrating on the videos and the dancing is junior Kevin King.

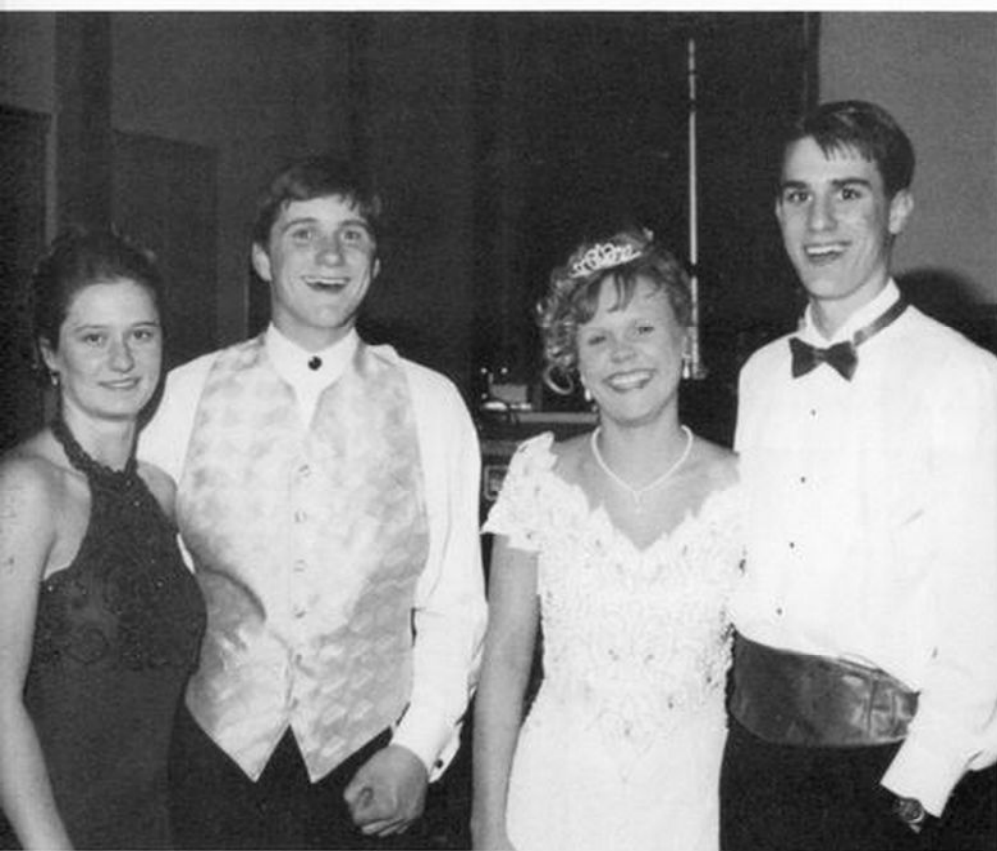


Senior Jonathan Owens looks happy posing with his date, Sharon Moore.



Senior Crystal Ray is all smiles as Dr. Sanders crowns her Prom Queen.



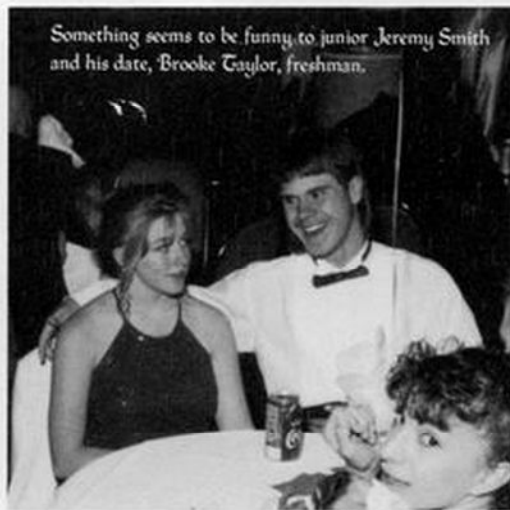


Attendants Jessie Estep and David Simmons and King and Queen, Ryan Wickle and Crystal Ray.

Sharing a romantic slow dance are junior Angela Mallow and her date, Herb Fisher.



is in the air for junior Emily Mitchell and her date, Kory p.



Something seems to be funny to junior Jeremy Smith and his date, Brooke Taylor, freshman.



Taking time out for a picture are sophomore Kimshea Galford and senior Mike Turner.



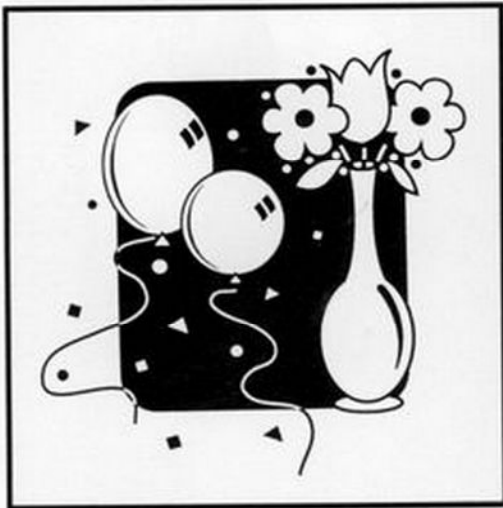
Dr. Sheets "gets down" with his wife on the dance floor.



From Dusk Till Dawn

Showing off his style at the prom is junior Spencer Wichem.

Having a good time fast dancing to the music are Mr. and Mrs. Barb.

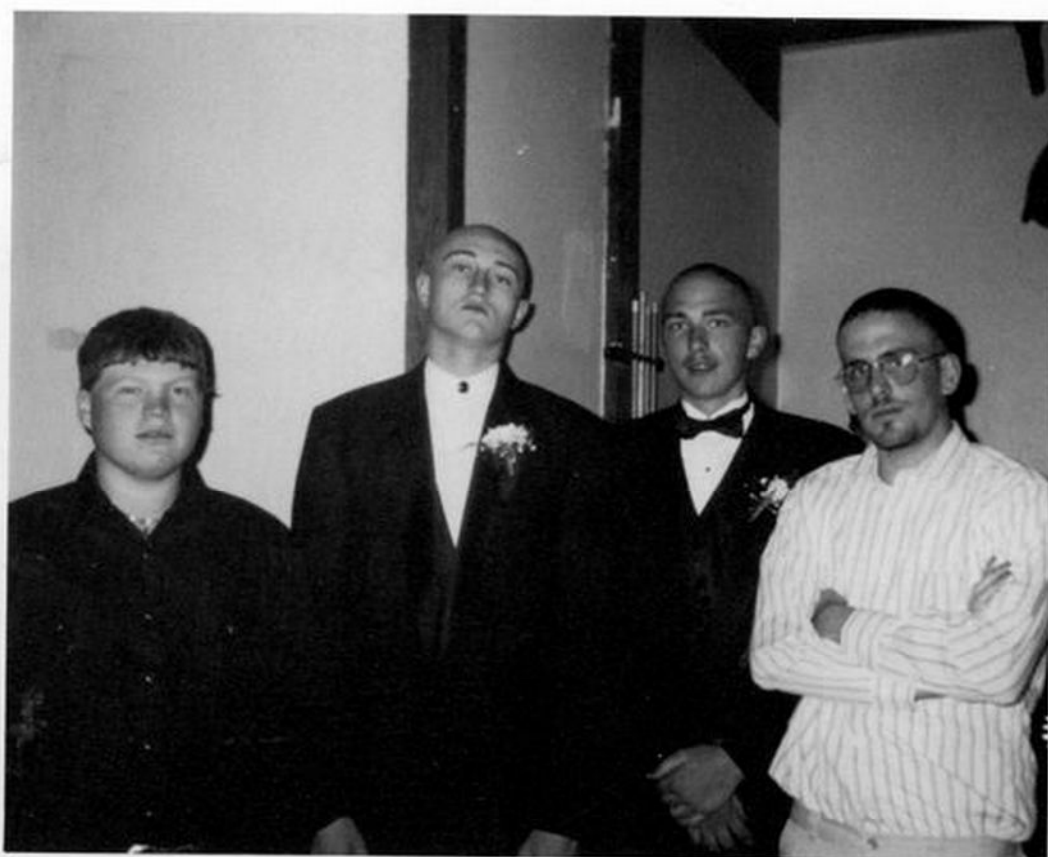


Seniors Crystal Chandler and Eric Phillips are happy to be together at Prom '97.



Senior Richard Tawney and seniors Shawn Kelly, Josh Coleman, and Randy Doss look cool and calm at the prom.

Senior Scott McGee and his date, sophomore Pamela Wick, are to be enjoying themselves at the 1997 prom.



Seniors Randall Grimes, Brandy Landis, Brandy Schoolcraft, Amanda Sharp, and Chad Carpender take a break from dancing to



Junior Harry Gum enjoys a slow dance with Carmen Pennington.



Adding News to the Puzzle

Pocahontas County High School's newest addition is a student-produced news-cast.

"Warrior News" started as the idea of Ms. Blankenship and Mrs. Flegel. The idea was simple: a student-produced new show like Channel One, but highlighting PCHS life and presenting stories of interest. It started in September, full of obstacles. But as the year progressed, newscasts began to run smoothly. Mrs. G. VanReenan and Mrs. Keller were the sponsors of Warrior News and were in charge of "getting it all together" at first. Slowly, more students became involved, and then it was "their" show. Reporters picked the stories and set up the interviews. They then turned the reports in to Jamie Friel, executive news director.

After the stories were in, anchors Jenny Cox and Jessica VanReenan, as well as sports director Katie Keller, presented them to the school as a news-cast. Ethan Johnson, the executive producer, taped the broadcasts. Warrior News was sometimes shown in the mornings in the place of Channel One.

By the end of the year, it was a great success.

Senior Ethan Johnson, executive producer, types the script for the next newscast.



Shana Clutter and sponsors, Mrs. Van'Reenan and Mrs. [unclear], discuss the looks of the broad-cast.

Director Jamie Friel, senior, hands out new assignments.



Justin Jesselli, sophomore, spends his time editing the Warrior News broadcast.

The team of Warrior News: Back row: Baron Heinemann, Jenny Cox, Shana Clutter, Angela Weadon, Ethan Johnson, Joel Johnson, Jessica Van'Reenan. Middle row: Jamie Friel, Tatiana Mynuk, Shelia Kramer, Cindy Jackson, Margaret Clark, Charlene Hamilton. Front row: Autumn Totten, Mrs. Keller, Katie Keller, and Emily Morton. Not pictured: Mrs. Van'Reenan



The Halls of Fashion

At Pocahontas County High School each person has his or her own way of showing off what they call "fashionable" clothes.

Students at P.C.H.S. have very different styles. Many people are into very baggy and wide-legged pants, while others like the not-so-baggy look; they like the regular-fit jeans.

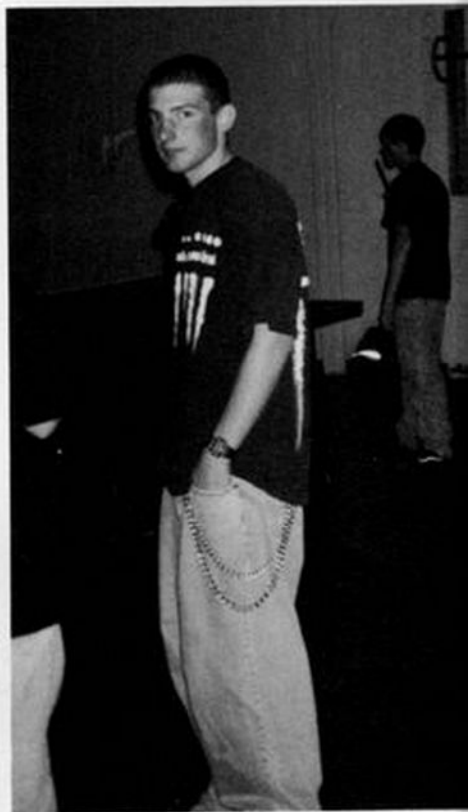
Another style would be the wild-patterned shirts. Some students are wearing the retro look - bringing back styles from the '60s and '70. Others are still wearing their comfortable flannels, sweatshirts, and

T-shirts.

Another "snazzy" style was the wide variety of colors in nail polish. Available was everything from metallic to bright colors and sparkles to dull colors.

There were also many new hairstyles being sported around, including shaved heads, the layered look, odd-colored dyes, and shags.

There are many different ways of showing off your fashion sense, so whatever you choose to wear stay fashionable and stay comfortable.



Showing off the "skater look" is junior William Perkins.

Sophomore Sarah Perry wears a fashionable, retro-style with a cute little sweater.



sophomore Warren McLaughlin, senior Kris Nutter, and junior Jody McCall look relaxed in their flannels, jackets, and baseball caps.

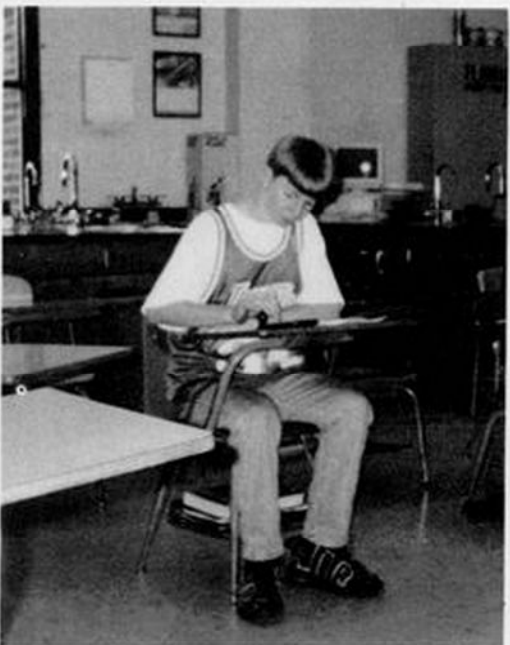


Senior Chanda Hill wears one of the more fashionable ensembles at P.C.H.S.

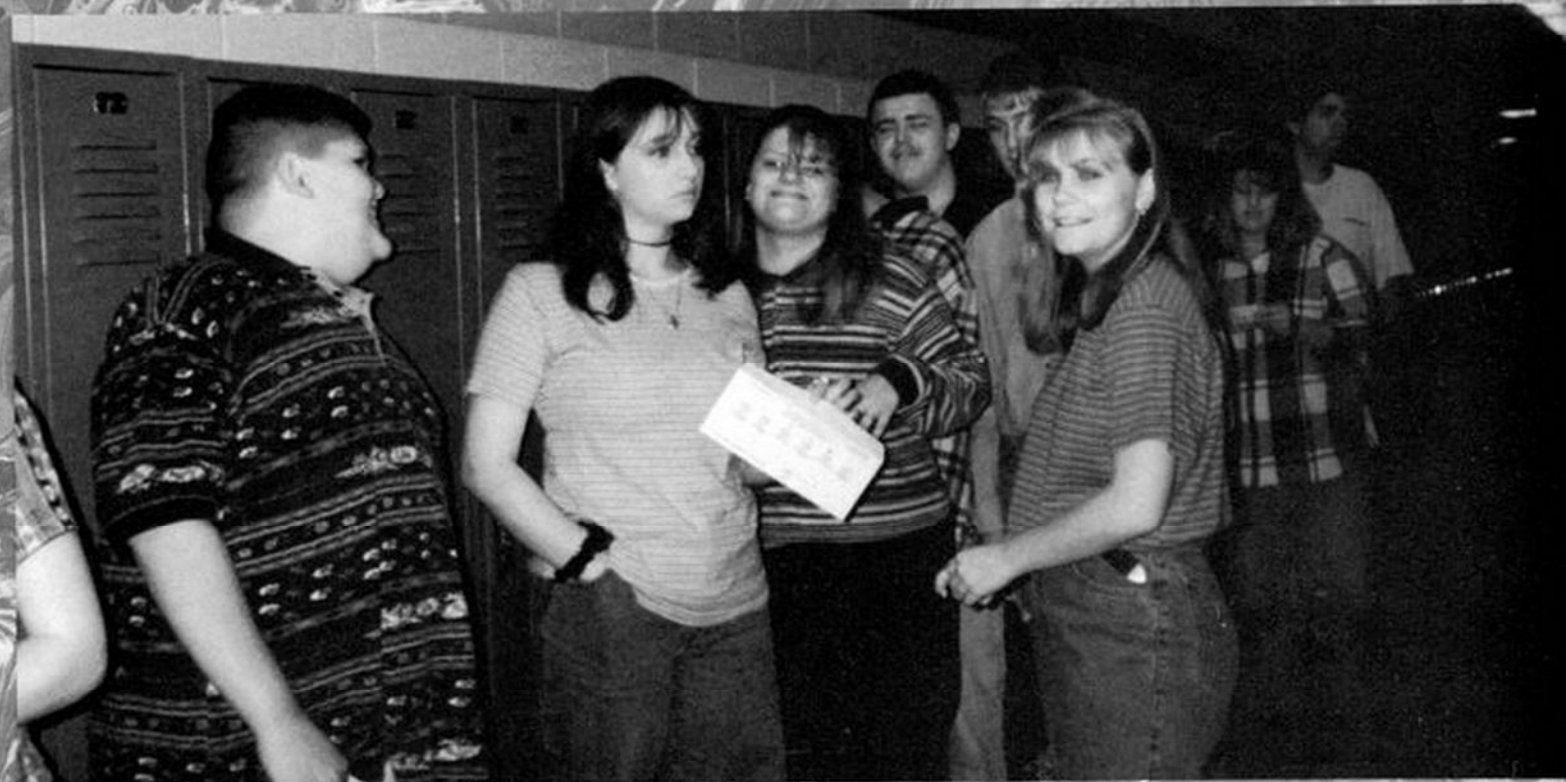


With her bookbag thrown over one shoulder and looking comfortable in her jeans and flannel shirt, is sophomore Amanda Saberry.

Formal wear is demonstrated by senior James Petecete and juniors Brock and Drew Taylor.



Junior Danny Sharp shows off the sportier side of P.C.H.S.



A small and familiar atmosphere is what the staff and students at PCHS have to look forward to every day. People at PCHS feel safe and comfortable in this environment. The freshman students stand against the lockers waiting patiently for their turn at class pictures.



The most important part of high school is the people. Can you imagine what school would be like without friends? Everyone needs someone to talk to about their problems and to just have fun with. During high school you will gain and lose many friends, but the memories will always last. Seniors look forward to their last year of high school. Most think of what they want to accomplish during the year. Juniors think of what colleges they will attend in the fall, and what job they will start after graduation. Graduation is a big event for Seniors. It is an accomplishment they all have worked hard for.

Seniors look forward to planning and preparing for the prom and fundraising activities. Being experienced, Juniors know what to expect. Starting to get into the hang of things, Sophomores keep busy with their classroom work. Freshmen are nervous and scared about starting a new school. They learn to make new friends and just try to fit in and adjust to the changes of high school life.

Buzzling

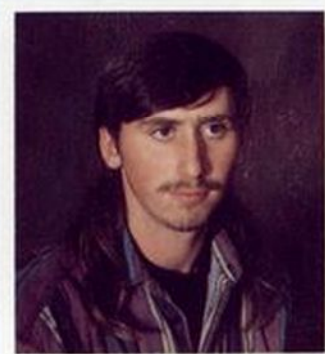
Faces



Senior Class of 1997



Rhonda R. Alderman



David L. Anna



Phillip Anderson



Aeri Childridge



Paul Barb



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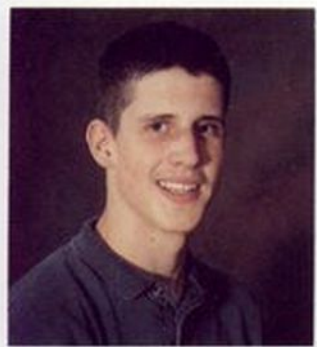


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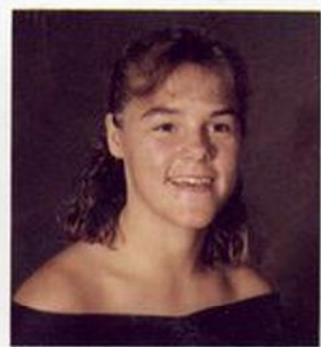




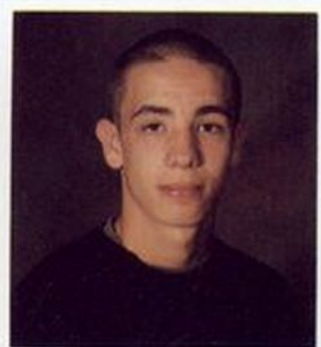
Luke Bennett



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April Dawn Blankenship



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Evan Daley



Aleisha Bruce



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Mark Buzzard



Nora Calhoun



Christopher M. Campbell



Liza D. Cooney



Aaron Childers



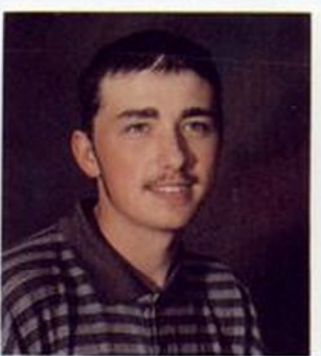
Elizabeth M. Clark



Shana Clutter



Kevin Cook



John F. Cook





Jennifer Cox



Stacy Dickerson



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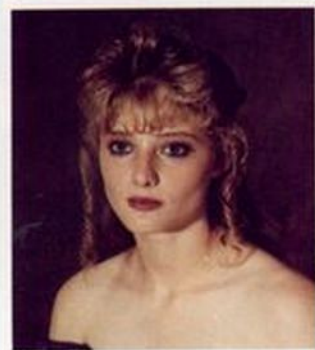
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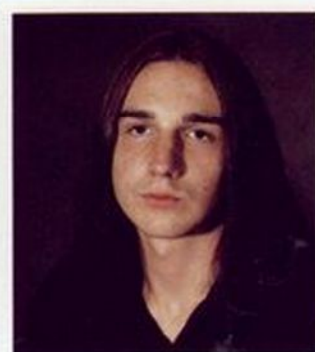
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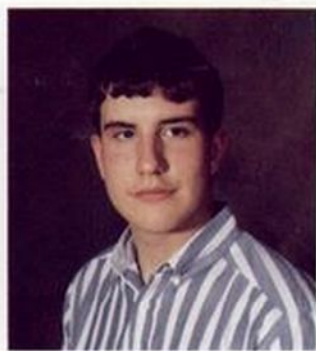


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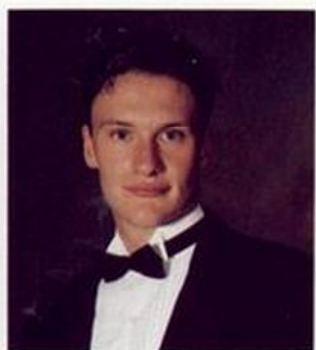
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Cynthia Mae Jackson



Ethan Johnson



Marlene Jones



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Shelia Kramer



Kathleen Lacasse



Samantha McCall





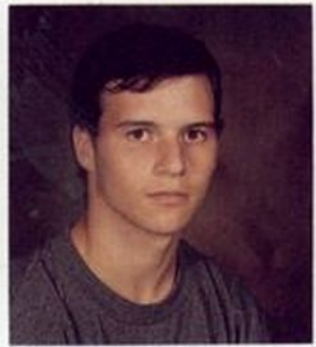
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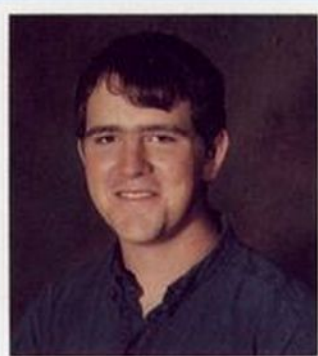
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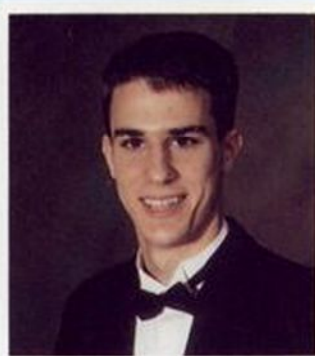
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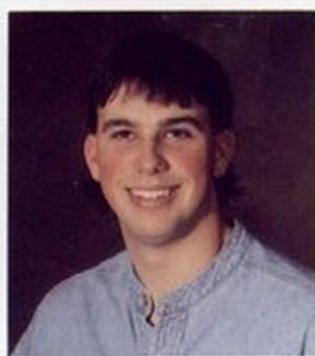
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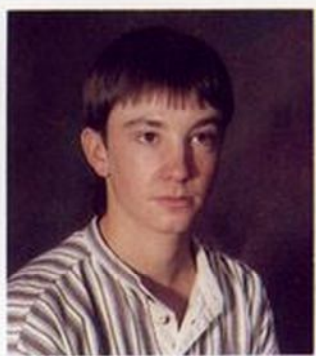
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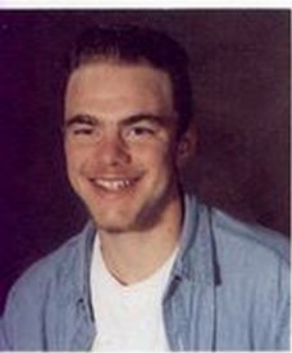
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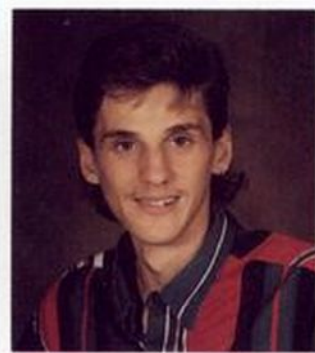
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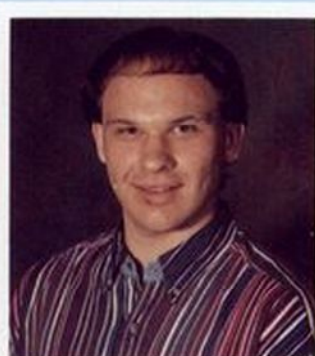
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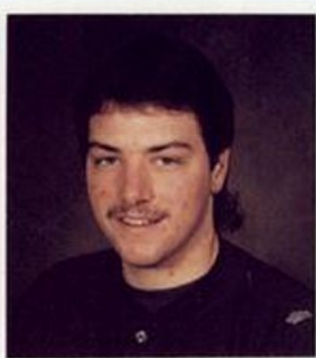
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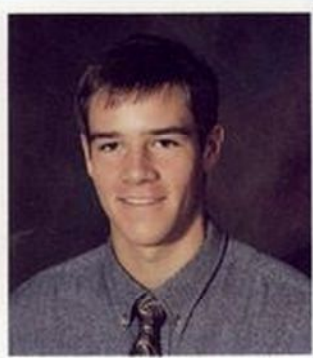
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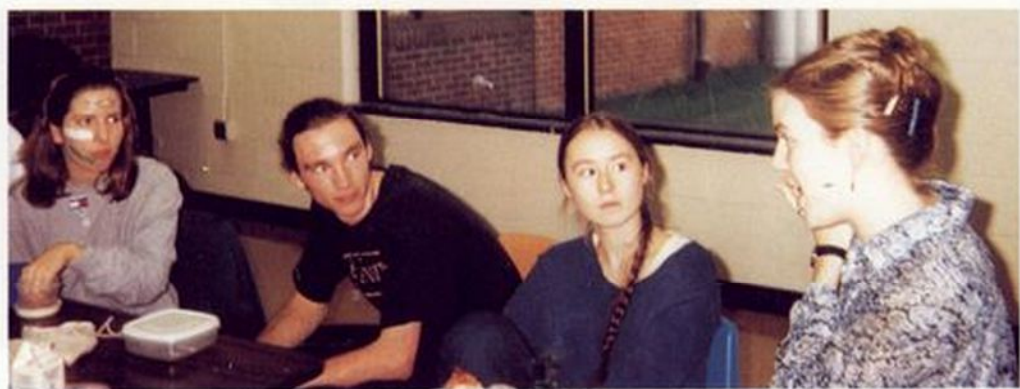


Krusty Wilfang



David Young

Seniors Cindy Jackson, Nathaniel Sizemore, Hanna Smith, and Elizabeth Clark appear to be having an animated discussion during their lunch hour.



Susan Totten and Jimmy Holbert, both seniors, are intrigued by the lunchtime activities around them.



Pictured:
Chew Alderman
Amy Hall
En Hill
on Kersh
ert Long
ie McNeill
on Morris
nda Sacra
men Sharp
ryl Simmons
ard Underwood
hael Worth

The Class of 1997

many seniors, the beginning of their senior year at Pocahontas High School was chaotic. There were Senior portraits, and SAT tests to be taken, and college applications to be filled out, all while trying to have some fun.

to represent the senior class as officers were: David Young, president; Tina Richards, vice-president; Jenny [unclear], secretary; and Megan Terry, treasurer. Many decisions awaited the class members once they were elected. Decisions about graduation were foremost on their minds. They also had to organize class meetings to vote on graduation announcements and many other senior decisions.

the first time in P.C.H.S. history, one team held the distinct honor of being defeated at powderpuff football. The senior class finished off Spirit Week with a four-year record total of eight wins and no losses. Seniors also triumphed this year over the underclassmen by winning Spirit Week itself.

The candidates for Homecoming King were Luke Bennett, Jonathan Owens, and Randy Friel. Homecoming Queen candidates were Aleisha Broce, Christina Moore, and Lora Calhoun. Chosen as the Senior Attendant and Escort were Jenny Cox and Jason Ulderich. On the night of October 18, 1996, Jonathan Owens and Lora Calhoun were crowned as the new Homecoming King and Queen.

As the year progressed, seniors were busy with end-of-the-year activities, including Prom and Graduation. Seniors also participated in the Senior Luncheon and class trip.

After many decisions about graduation announcements, caps, gowns, and keepsakes, the big day finally arrived. On June 8, 1997, seniors crossed the stage to receive their diplomas. With their high school life behind them, the graduates faced the future, as well as

the responsibilities of a new life.



Seniors





THE THINGS

Favorite Song

1. Strawberry Wine
2. The Dance
3. Come On and Ride It
4. Young Country
5. Brown-Eyed Girl

Favorite Movie

1. Twister
2. Independence Day
3. Braveheart
4. Happy Gilmore
5. Friday



WE LIKE

Favorite Place To Go

1. Snowshoe
2. County Line
3. Home
4. Scenic Highway
5. Durbin

Favorite Snack

1. Chips
2. Pizza
3. Chocolate
4. Snack Mix
5. Cookies

Senior

David Ames-Welding 1, 2, 3, 4

Phillip Anderson-Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Track 2, Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Ski Club 1, 2, 3, 4

Matthew Alderman-FFA 1, 2, Forestry 1, 2, Welding 3, 4, Electronics 3

Paul Barb-Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 2, 4, Track 2, 3, 4, Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4, All-State Honorable Mention Football 3, 4

Shannon Barnisky-GAA 1, 2, 3, SADD 3, 4, Volleyball 1, Basketball 1, 2, 3, All-Tournament 2, TI 1, FFA 2, Prom Committee 3

Luke Bennett-Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Track 3, 4, Science Club 1, 2, Homecoming Court 4, TI 1, 2, 3

Ian Bennett-Football 2, Welding 1, 2, 3, 4

Brian Beverage-Football 1, Welding 1, 2, 3, 4

April Blankenship-Track 1, Volleyball 2, Soccer 3, TI 1, 2, 3, 4, FFA 2, Project Christmas 3, 4, GAA 3

Gerald Bond-Basketball, Baseball, Art Club

Evan Bosley-4-H Forestry 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Track 1, 2

Aleisha Broce-Flag Corps 1, 4, Natural Helpers 1, 2, TI 1, 2, 3, National Honor Society 3, 4, Homecoming Court 4

Mark Buzzard-Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4, 4-H Forestry 1, 2, 3, 4

Lora Calhoun-Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, TI 1, 2, 3, Band 1, 2, 3, 4, 4-H 1, 2, 3, Homecoming Court 1, 2, 3, 4, (Queen 4)

Chris Campbell-Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Football 4, Class Vice President 2, FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, Forestry 3, 4, Prom Junior Attendant 3, Homecoming Court 2, 4-H 3, 4, Ski Club 2, 3, 4

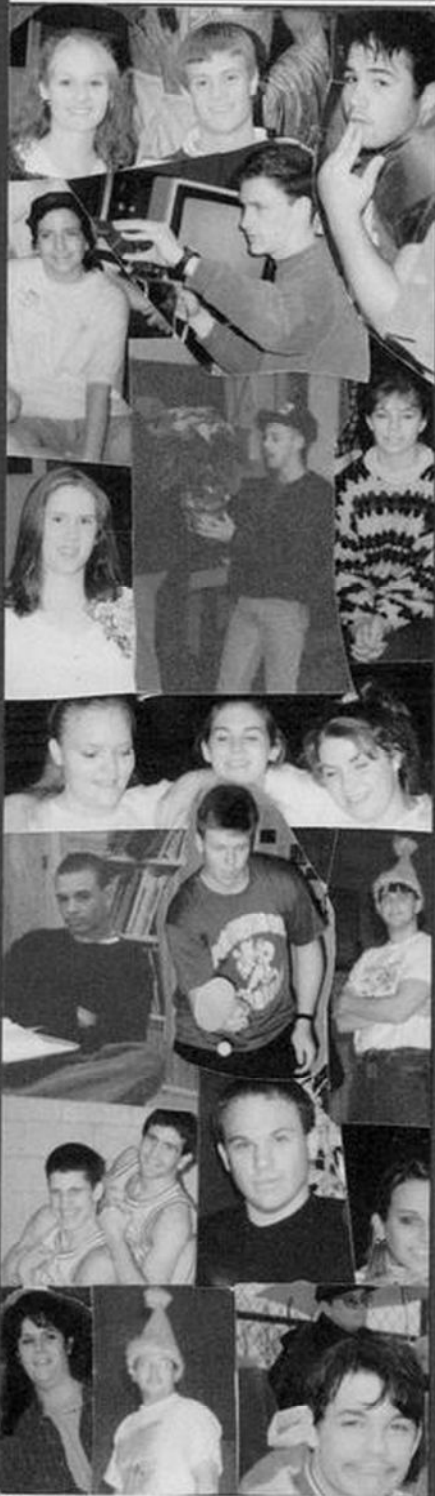
Aaron Childers-Football 1, 3, 4, Varsity Club 1, 2

Elizabeth Clark-Track 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 2, 3, Art Guild 1, 2, 3, GAA 3, 4, (Secretary 4), French Club 1, 2, French Honor Society 3, 4, (Vice-President 3, President 4), National Honor Society 3, 4, (Vice-President 4), TI 3, 4, Thespians 3, 4

Shana Clutter-4-H 4, Project Christmas 3, 4

Chris Cole-Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Football 4, Track 2, 3, Band 2, 3, 4, Homecoming Court 3

Stacey Dickenson-Yearbook Staff 3, 4 (Asst. Editor 4)



Jamie Friel-4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, (Vice-President 3), Warrior News Staff Editor 4, TI 1, 2, 3, 4, GAA 1, 2, 3, 4, (Vice-President 4), Natural Helpers 1, 2, Yearbook Staff 4, Basketball 1, 2, 3, Prom Committee 3, Spanish Club 4, Class Secretary 1, 2, 3.

Alex Gelis-Jazz Band 4

Stacey Green-VICA 3, FFA 1

Anita Grimes-Audio Visual 1, 2, Cheerleader 2, GAA 2, FBLA 4, Powderpuff Football 3, 4, Yearbook Staff 4

Jeremy Hall-Vocational Agriculture 1, 2, 3, 4

Charlene Hamilton-VICA 1, 2, 3, 4, Warrior News 4, Track 2, 3, Mentorship 4, TI 1, 2, 3, 4, Natural Helpers 1, 2, 3, 4, Thespians 4

Eric Heinemann-Track 1, 2, 3, 4, Soccer 2, 3, 4, SADD 2, 3, 4, Chess Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Natural Honor Society 3, 4, 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4, (Treasurer 3, 4)

Kimberly Hendrick-FBLA 2, 3, 4, (Secretary 4), Volleyball 1, 4, Cheerleader 2, 3, GAA 3, 4, Science Club 1, Yearbook Staff 3, 4, (Editor 4), Project Christmas 1, 2, 3, 4, TI 1, 2, 3, 4, School Newspaper 3, (Assistant Editor 3), Number 1 Club 3, Who's Who's 3, 4, Powderpuff 1, 2, 3, 4, Upward Bound 3

Chanda Hill-Art Guild 2, Cheerleading 3, 4, (Co-Head 4), GAA 3, 4, Yearbook Staff 4, Newspaper Staff 3, Powderpuff Football 1, 2, 3, 4

Karen Hill-TI 1, 2, 3, SADD 3, Project Christmas 1, 2, 3

Jimmy Holbert-Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Basketball 1, 2

Cindy Jackson-Class President 2, 3, Track 1, 2, 4, TI 1, 2, 3, 4, Natural Helpers 1, National Honor Society 4, Thespians Club 3, 4, Advanced Drama Class 4, Warrior News 4, Equestrian Club 3, Project Christmas 1, 2, 3, 4

Ethan Johnson-Warrior News 4, State Social Studies Fair 1, 2, 3, Band 1, 3, Soccer 2, 3, 4, Chess Club 1, 2, 3, 4

Travis Keatley-VICA 1, FFA 1

Katie Keller-National Honor Society 3, 4, 4-H Leadership 1, 2, 3, 4, (President 3), TI 1, 2, 3, 4, Warrior News 4, Ski Club 1, 2, 3, 4, GAA 1, 2, 3, 4, (President 4), Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4, Yearbook Staff 4, Track 2, 3, 4

Tammy Kerr-National Honor Society 3, 4, FBLA 4, Yearbook Staff 4, Spanish Club 1, 2, Project Christmas 1, 2, 3, 4, Ski Club 1, 2, School Newspaper Staff 3



Activities

Deon Kersh-Football, Basketball, Track

Chad Kizer-VICA, Ski Club

Shelia Kramer-Varsity Cheerleader 2,3,4, (Head 4), Yearbook Staff 3,4, Warrior News Staff 4, SADD 3,4, (Vice-President 4), GAA 2,3,4, Project Christmas 4, 4-H 1,2,3,4, Band 1,2, Who's Who's 3,4, Powderpuff 2,3

Kathleen Lacasse-Band 1,2,3,4, Track 2,3,4, French Club 2,3, French Honor Society 2,3,4, National Honor Society 3,4, Thespian Club 1,3,4, Equestrian Club 2,3,4, GAA 4, Art Guild 1,2,3, TI 1,2,3,4

Chris McClure-Football 1,2,3,4, FFA 1,2,3,4, (Vice-President 1)

Brad McDaniels-Football 1,2,3,4, FFA 2,3,4, 4-H 1,2,3

Billy McKenney-FFA 1,2,3,4

Ryan Mickle-4-H 1,2, Football 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2,3,4, Track 1,2

Christina Moore-Homecoming Court 4

Tatiana Mynuk-Art Guild 1,2,3,4, French Club 3,4, French Honor Society 3,4, Science Club 3,4, Math Field Day 1,2, Foreign Language Festival 3,4, Thespian Club 3,4, Bethany Foreign Language Festival 3,4, Science Bowl Team 4

Trevor Nelson-Football 1,2,3,4, FFA 1,2,3, Varsity Club 1,2,3,4, Ski Club 2,3,4

Kelly Rataiczak-FFA 1,2,3,4, Project Christmas 1,2, FBLA 1

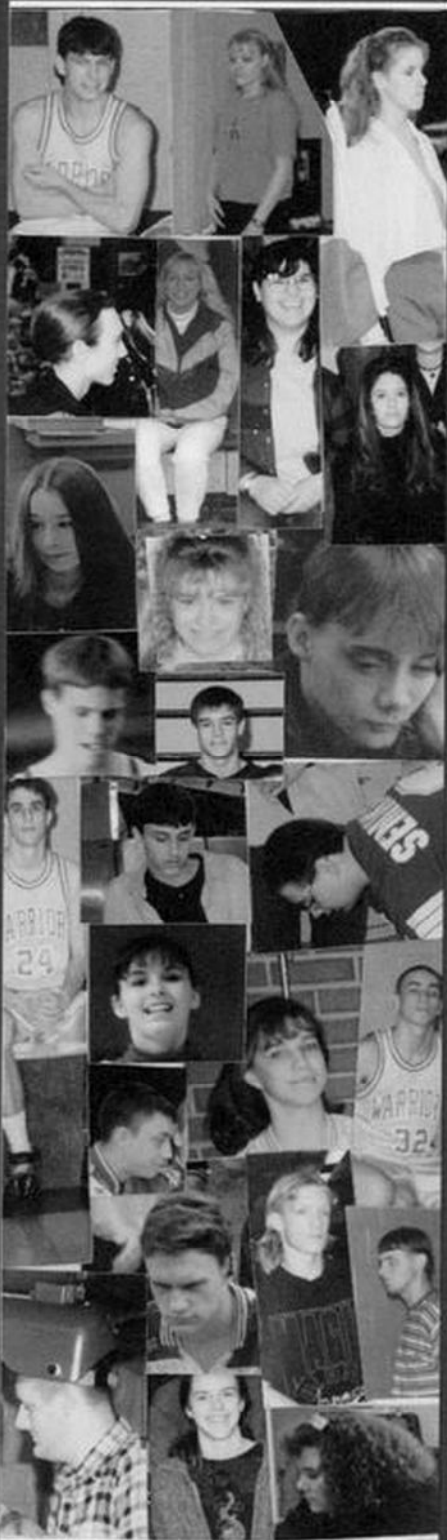
Crystal Ray-SADD 1,2,3, Pep 1,2,3, Foreign Language 2,3, Earth Services 3, Applefolks in Action 3

David Rexrode-Football 1, Forestry 1,2,3,4

Katrina Richards-Band 1,2,3,4, Track 1,2, Volleyball 2,3,4, (Varsity captain 3,4), Flag 1,2,3,4, (co-head 4), National Honor Society 3,4 (treasurer 4), National French Honor Society 2,3,4, GAA 4 (treasurer 4), Science Club 1,2, Ski Club 1,2,3,4, TI 1

Cheryl Simmons-Ski Club 1,2,3,4, Student Council 1,2,3,4, 4-H Leadership 1,2,3,4, Band/Flag Corps 1,2,3,4 (co-head 4), Homecoming Court 2, TI 1,2,3, Science Club 2,3 (Treasurer 3), Volleyball 1,2, Soccer 4, Basketball 1,2,3, Track 2, Project Christmas 3, GAA 1,2,3,4

Hanna Smith-Science Bowl Team 3,4, Math Field Day 3, Science Club 4, National Honor Society 3,4 (Secretary 4)



Eugene Strader-FFA 1, Football 3,4, Varsity 4

Megan Terry-Volleyball 2,3,4 (co-captain 3,4), GAA 2,3,4, SADD 3,4 (President 4) TI 1, Class Treasurer 4, Student Council 4 (Treasurer 4)

Richard Thompson-Band 1,2,3,4, Audio Visual 1,2

Susan Totten-Cheerleading 2,3,4, Natural Helpers 1,2, TI 1,2,3, Yearbook Staff 4

Jason Ulderich-FFA 1,2,3,4, Homecoming Court 4, Band 2,3,4, Forestry Team 4

Jessica VanReenan-TI 1,2,3,4, Natural Helpers 1,2 (President 2), Flag Corps 1, French Honor Society 3,4 (Secretary 3, Vice Pres. 4), Warrior News Anchor 4, Yearbook Staff 4, Thespian 3,4

Kristy Wilfong-Newspaper Co-editor 3, Ski Club 1,2,3,4, Artist Guild 3,4, SADD 4

David Young-Band 1,2,3,4, Basketball 1,2,3,4, French Honor Society 2,3,4 (Secretary 4), National Honor Society 3,4 (President 4), Class Officer (President) 1,4, Student Council 1,4, (President 4), Ski Club 1,2,3,4, Science Club 2,3,4 (Vice Pres. 4), Varsity Club 1, TI 2



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Junior Class

Michael Arbogast
Russell Arbogast
Stephanie Arbogast
Chad Baldwin



Lindsay Barb
Jonah Bauserman
Jason Bennett
Ginger Beverage



Mandy Beverage
Chad Blankenship
Jon-Michael Bosley
Jason Brock



Daffney Brown
Perlina Browning
Luke Burgess
Travis Burner



Pam Buzzard
Chad Carpenter
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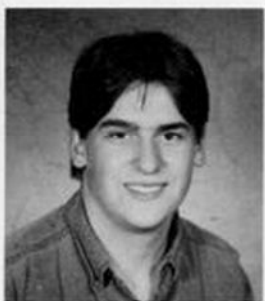




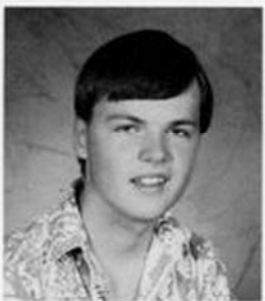
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Crystal Frisch
Abigail Flegel



Rusty Friend
Carol Gibson
Mike Goldizen
Amanda Gragg

One Piece of the Puzzle

For high schoolers, their Junior year is often the most stressful. Besides starting to think about college, taking PSAT, ACT, and SAT tests, they are also planning and sponsoring the Homecoming dance and the Junior/Senior Prom and fund-raising for Senior year activities.

The Junior class was led by President John Michael Bosley, Vice-President Abbie Flegel, Secretary Amanda McComb, and Treasurer Justin Elza.

The only two courses that are required

of the Juniors are American History II and English. With the new block scheduling, 23 credits will be required for this year's Junior class to graduate, so Juniors have the opportunity to take several electives.

The teacher sponsors for the Junior class were: Mr. Gary Beverage, Mr. Delmos Barb, Mrs. Karen Friel, Mrs. Cathy Mosesso, Mrs. Kathy White, Mr. Gene Rexrode, Mrs. Reta Rose, and Mrs. Kay Wiley (Director).



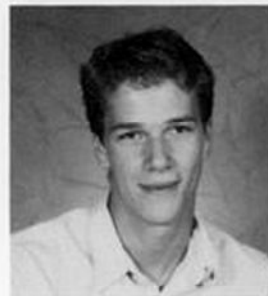
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 Andy Hall
 James Halterman



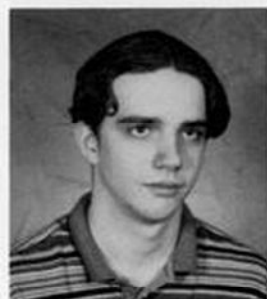
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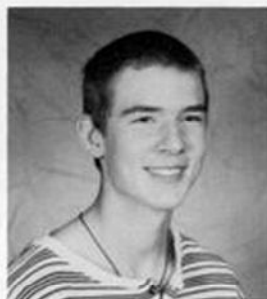
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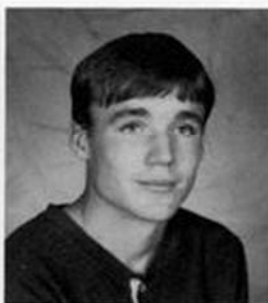


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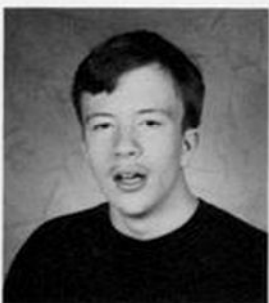
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William Perkins
 Jason Potter
 Lisa Pyles
 Karis Rataiczak



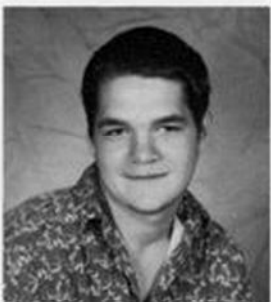
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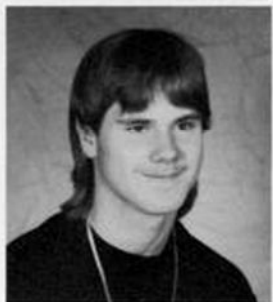
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David Simmons
Florence Simmons



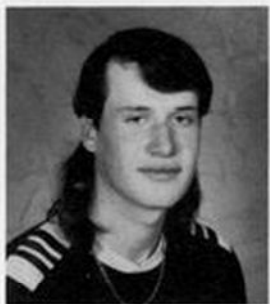
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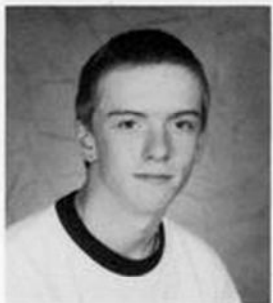
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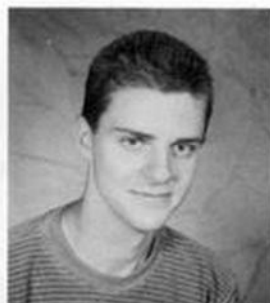
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Chris White
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Jason Williams
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Michelle Wimer
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Jeremiah Workman
 Wayne Worth



JUNIOR SURVEY

Coke or Pepsi?

Pepsi — 102 Coke — 53

Will you miss the Seniors?

Yes 43 — No — 45

Did O.J. Simpson "Do It"?

Yes — 104 No — 36

Favorite Songs

1. Until It Sleeps — Metallica
2. Crossroads — Bone Thugs -n- Harmony
3. Strawberry Wine — Deanna Carter
4. You're Makin' Me High — Toni Braxton
5. The Dance — Garth Brooks

Favorite Movie

1. Twister
2. Independence Day
3. Braveheart
4. Black Sheep Seven

Favorite Cartoon

1. Beavis and Butthead
2. Garfield
3. Flintstones
4. Taz-Mania
5. Bugs Bunny

Favorite Lunchtime Activity

1. Stage
2. Gym
3. Basketball
4. Talking with Friends
5. Eating

Favorite Weekend Hangout

1. Home
2. Lewisburg
3. Elkins
4. Friend's House
5. Movies

Favorite Shoe Company

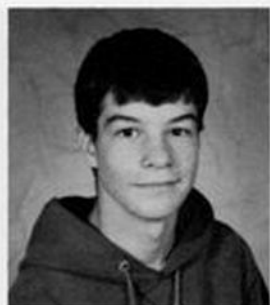
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2. Airwalk
3. Adidas
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Sophomore Class

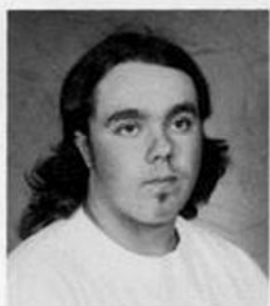
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Billy Browning



Crystal Buchanan
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Brandy Burdette



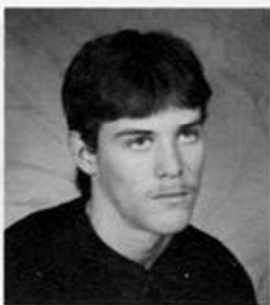
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Jeremy Cain



Leo Cain
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Joy Carpenter
Edwina Childers

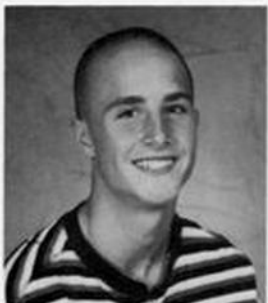


Margaret Clark
Nathaniel Clutter
Shawn Coleman
Jamie Daniels





Marcus Davis
Alicia Dean
Jennifer Deputy
Tasha Dunbrack



Branden Fedak
Seth Fennell
Kristen Friel
Marlana Friel



Kimshea Galford
Katrina Goehner
Sam Good
Emery Grimes



Jennifer Gum
Rapunzel Gum
Rebekah Hannah
Sam Herold

Piecing It Together

The sophomore year could perhaps be the most difficult year in high school. After a year of transition, sophomores are still faced with pressure from upperclassmen. Sophomores are required to take Health, American History, English, and Integrated Science. Many double up in math or science, hoping to get that extra edge over others! At any rate, this can lead to an evening full of homework.

An important task for every class is fund-

raising. This becomes even more important the sophomore year, when you're looking toward the junior prom. Sophomores were in charge of Sadie Hawkins. In September, they held a bake sale which brought in some profit.

The Sophomore class sponsors were: Ms. Blankenship, Mrs. VanReenan, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Leary, Mr. Riley, Mr. Sheets, and Mr. Ziegler.



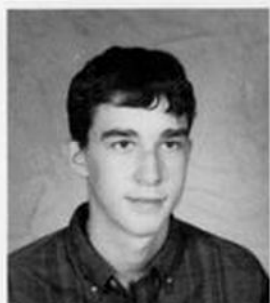
Sophomore class officers: President Megan McGee, Vice President Shanna McComb, Secretary Scott Moore, and Treasurer Suzanne Stewart.



Angela Hicks
Michael Hoke
Leanne Holbert
Joshua Hoover



Joel Johnson
Eric Kane
Krissy Keller
Michael King



Michael Lacasse
Lucy Lowe
Hope May
Jody McCall



Shanna McComb
Daniel McGee
Megan McGee
Deanna McLaughlin

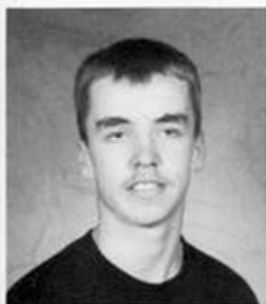


Jessica McLaughlin
Joyce McLaughlin
Kimberly McLaughlin
Warren McLaughlin



Pam Mick
Jennifer Miller
Valerie Mills
Scott Moore





Clinton Morris
Emily Morton
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Chris Nelson



Barry Parker
Sarah Perry
Curtis Phillips
Lana Pritt



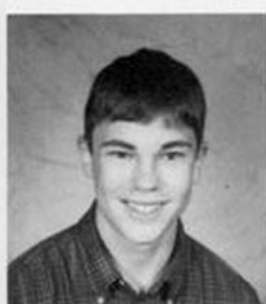
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Bobby Sharp



Robbie Sharp
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Joshua Shinaberry
Cassandra Simmons



Caleb Smith
Josh Smith
Suzanne Stewart
Shawn Taylor



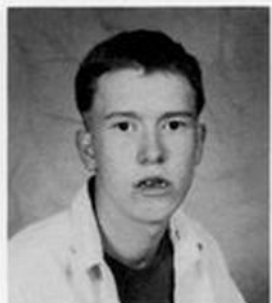
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Justin Vandevander



Tommy Vandevender
 Travis Vandevender
 Philip Wade
 Ginger Ware



Jeni Weatherholt
 Carl White
 Jessica Wilfong
 Russell Wilfong



Justin Withrow
 Joe Wolfe



Not Pictured:
 Carrie Baldwin
 Elizabeth Campbell
 Darron Enderby
 Justin Jesselli
 Matthew Jones
 Jennifer Loudermilk
 Joshua McClure
 Carmen Pennington
 Douglas Queen
 Joey Sacra
 Robert D. Sharp
 Jamie Smith



During TI Camp, sophomores Joy Carpenter and Krissy Keller share lunch and discuss the upcoming day.

Sophomore Lucy Lowe demonstrates her talents acting as Romeo in the Noontime Cafe's production of "Redneck Romeo and Juliet."





THE SURVEY SAYS . . .

Favorite Movie

1. Braveheart
2. Twister
3. Forrest Gump
4. Interview With A Vampire
5. The Wizard of Oz

3. Black

4. Red
5. Purple

Favorite Pasttime

1. Hunting/Fishing
2. Sleeping

Favorite Color

1. Blue
2. Green

3. Talking on the phone

4. Playing basketball
5. Playing baseball

Favorite Music Group

1. Blackhawk
2. Brooks and Dunn
3. Alan Jackson
4. Smashing Pumpkins
5. Boyz II Men

Favorite Television Show

1. Dukes of Hazard
2. Friends

3. ER

4. Home Improvement
5. Third Rock From The Sun

Favorite Actor/Actress

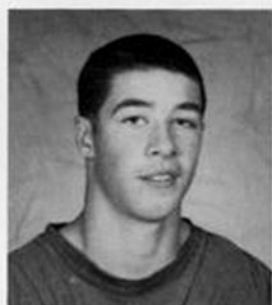
1. Brad Pitt
2. Pamela Anderson
3. Mel Gibson
4. Cindy Crawford
5. Tom Cruise



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FRESHMAN CLASS

Jason Alderman
Amy Anderson
Craig Baldwin
Warren Balogh



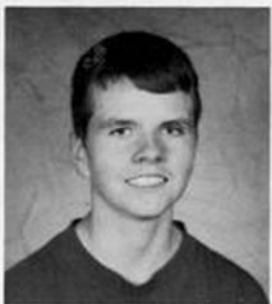
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Melissa Bond
Stacy Bond



Jason Broce
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Kelly Day
Alison Dickerson
Amanda Dilley





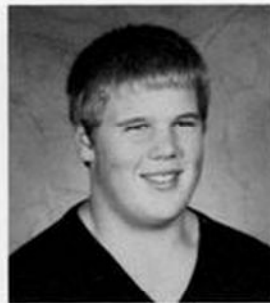
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Jason Ervine
Jennifer Evans



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Christina Fischl
Harry Fisher
Alison Flegel



Terri Fulk
Kristen Garringer
Matt Gay
Kimberly Gelis



Troy Goddard
Pamela Grimes
Josh Grogg
Jessica Hamman

NEW PIECES OF THE PUZZLE

The 1996-97 school year began with 109 enthused and worried freshmen.

Some of the excitement and worries were caused by thoughts of new faces, classes, teachers, and older kids.

Even though things were sometimes hectic, they managed somehow to pull through.

The first order of business was to elect officers. They elected for President Clayton Seldomridge, Vice President Alison Flegel, Treasurer Ginger Henry, and Secretary Hollie Hollandsworth.

For the activities for the year they wanted to "try different things," Mrs. Flegel, their class director, said.

The other class sponsors were Mrs. Keller, Mrs. McGee, Mrs. Rhea, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Herold, and Mrs. Taylor.

Several freshmen commented that they were scared at first but that it wasn't as bad as they thought. A few also said Teen Institute helped out a lot because it dealt with teen issues and high school pressures.



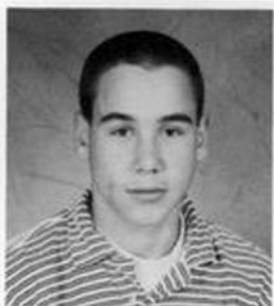
Freshmen Clint Johnson and Matthew Hipes seem to be getting a little carried away with themselves at Freshman Camp.



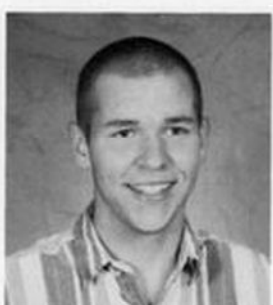
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Ginger Henry
Matthew Hipes
Hollie Hollandsworth



Aaron Huffman
Amanda Johnson
Clint Johnson
Lakisha Johnston



Charlie Judy
Brian Karr
Eric Kelly
Andrew Lacey



Johnny Landis
Tim Madison
Jonathan Mallow
Jamie McCray



Hillary McLaughlin
Kristin Morris
Timothy Morrison
Amanda Mulligan



T.J. Murray
Crystal Nelson
Melissa Painter
Sarah Parker

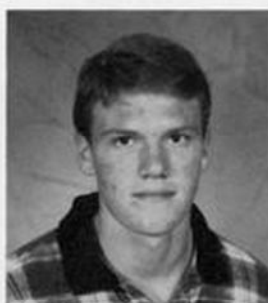




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Jason Reed
Jennifer Rexrode



Matthew Rhea
Andrew Rider
Keith Ryder
Joyce Schoolcraft



Clayton Seldomridge
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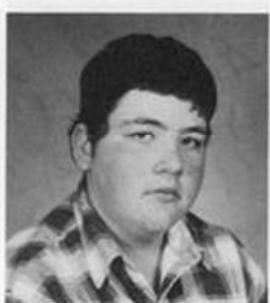
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Virginia Tuttle



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Joshua Vaughan
Justin Wagner
Heather Walton



Aric Warner
Lucas Warner
Tonya Waybright
Matthew White



Shawn White
Denny Wimer
Erin Wimer
Ben Withers



Anthony Woody
Mary Woody
Amanda Wright



NOT PICTURED:
Randale Arbogast
Brian Conley
Adam DeHaven
Bradley Sewell
Blair Sharp
Charles Simmons
Thomas Turner



A group of freshmen enjoy their lunch hour on the stage.

Class officers: President Clayton Seldomridge, Vice-President Alison Flegel, Secretary Hollie Hollandsworth, and Treasurer Ginger Henry.





Freshman Survey

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| <i>Favorite Singer</i> | 3. 49ers | <i>Favorite TV Show</i> | 3. Drawing |
| 1. Bone Thugz'N Harmony | 4. Raiders | 1. Friends | 4. Football |
| 2. The Beatles | 5. Redskins | 2. Dukes of Hazzard | 5. Baseball |
| 3. Alan Jackson | <i>Favorite Song</i> | 3. Beavis and Buttthead | <i>Favorite Food</i> |
| 4. Bush | 1. Days Of Our Lives | 4. Monday Night Football | 1. Pizza |
| 5. Marilyn Manson | 2. Old McDonald | 5. Seinfeld | 2. Deer meat |
| <i>Favorite Football Team</i> | 3. I Love You Always, Forever | <i>Favorite Hobby</i> | 3. Spaghetti |
| 1. Cowboys | 4. I Got You, Babe | 1. Basketball | 4. Tacos |
| 2. Steelers | 5. Time Marches On | 2. Hunting | 5. Hamburger |



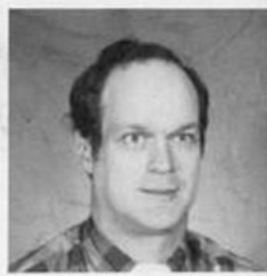
Our Educators

No matter how much students complain about the assignments teachers assign, they have to admit that without them, it would be impossible to learn to succeed in life.

Several new people joined the staff this year. Included were: Mrs. Cathy Mosesso, Mathematics, Mr. Joe Riley, Vo-Ag, Mrs. Glenda VanReenan, Language Arts, and Mr. Tom Sanders, Principal.

The faculty and staff of PCHS are hard-working and dedicated to educating students to the best of their abilities. Their efforts pay off, and the result is an educated society. For all of this, they are greatly appreciated.

Norman Alderman
Language Arts
Gary Beverage
Electronics



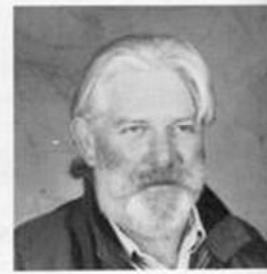
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Mary Sue Burns
Science



Mike Burns
Forestry
Cora Lee Carpenter
Accountant
Louise Flegel
Language Arts
Karen Friel
Spanish



Nancy Green
Head Cook
Ron Hall
Band, Choir
Tracey Hall
Computers, Mathematics
Tom Herold
Special Education



Lyla Howell
Guidance Counselor
Patricia Keller
Social Studies
Roselyn Leary
Art
Morgan McComb
Head Custodian



Kathy McGee
Mathematics
Denise McNeel
French
Charles Rexrode
Guidance Counselor
Nancy Rexrode
Secretary





Teresa Rhea
Business, Journalism
Joe Riley
Vo-Ag
Reta Rose
Physical Education, Health
Tom Sanders
Principal



Michael Shank
Mathematics
Robert Sheets
Language Arts
Linda Stewart
Business
Quentin Stewart
Social Studies



Fran Taylor
Special Education
Sam Taylor
Carpentry
Sharon Vance
ESSH, Social Studies,
Enrichment
Glenda VanReenan
Language Arts



Linda VanReenen
Home Economics
Glen Wade
Assistant Principal
Kay Wiley
Driver Education
Brenda Williams
Special Education Aide



Richard Ziegler
Electricity

The Faculty of
Pocahontas County
High School.



Not Pictured:
Delmos Barb
Social Studies
Linda Beverage
Remediation
Marilyn Clark
College English
Edward Hill
Health
William Leary
College Speech
Cathy Mosesso
Mathematics

Pam Sharpes
Science
Richard Thompson
Welding
Sondra Vaughan
Cook, Custodian
Mary Walton
Cook
Kathryn White
Science



Our Helping Hands!

"Support staff" consists of janitors, bus drivers, and cooks. These people do much but get little recognition.

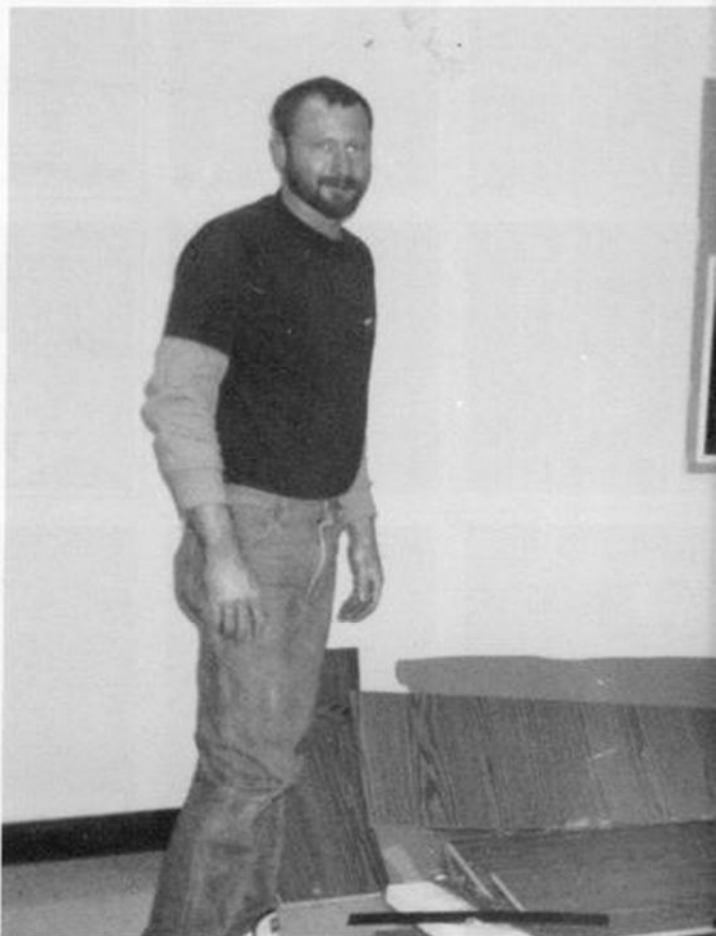
The janitors clean, move things, and fix broken objects. Visitors to our school often believe it is newer than its 27 years because it has been well-kept.

The cooks go beyond their duty. They are glad to help. They cook for many dinners and banquets throughout the year as well as every school day.

The bus drivers have a very tough job. They have to monitor the students on their bus, remember where each child gets on and off the bus, and drive safely to and from school.

The support staff worked hard all year and did a great job.

Janitor Morgan McComb assembles a desk in a design class.



Head Cook Nancy Green gives a big smile as she starts a busy day.





The PCHS bus drivers: Front row: Alfred Dilley, Charles McQuain, and W.G. Dilley. Back row: Kenneth Cutlip, Freddy Greer, LeRoy Sharp, Alice Kessler, Scott Kelley, and Rick Irvine. The PCHS bus drivers drive both evening and morning routes.

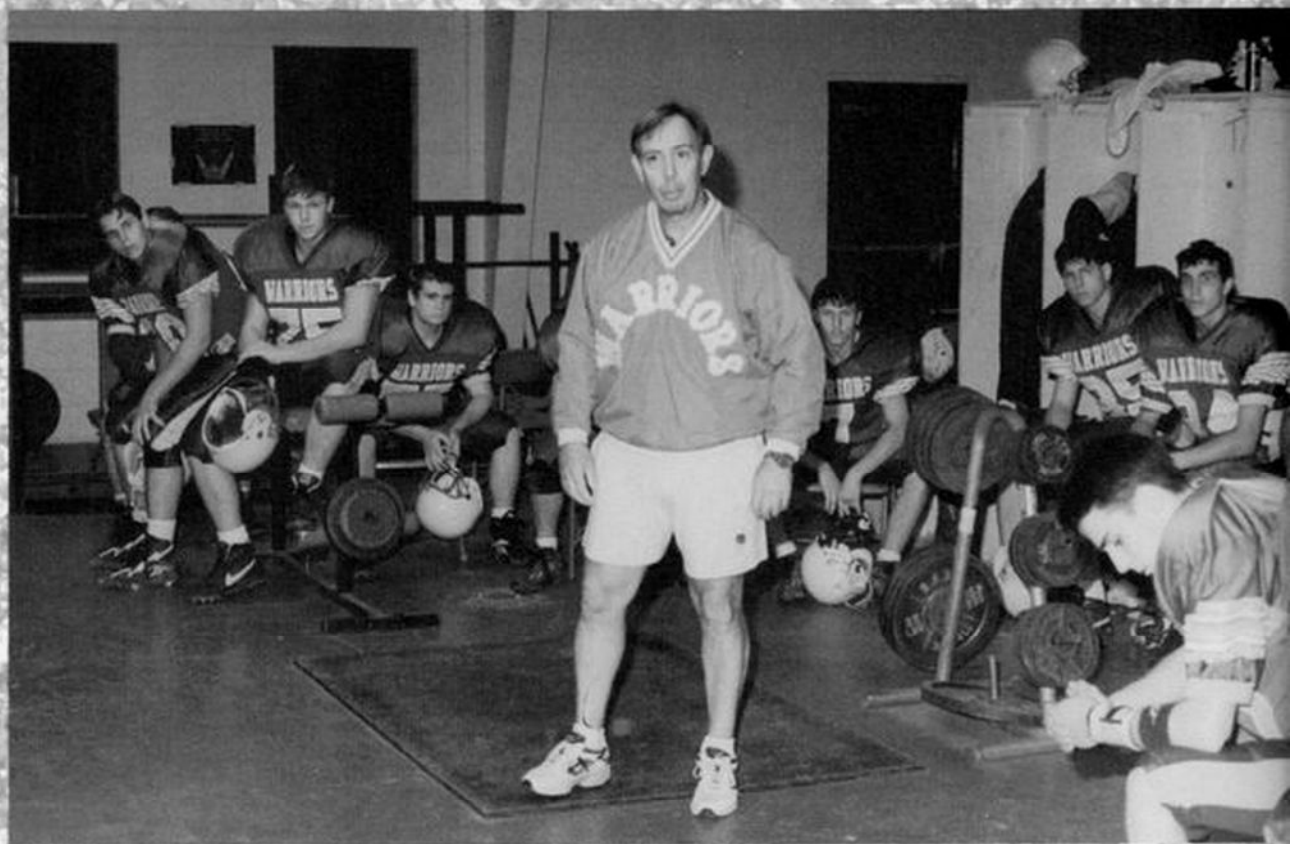


The PCHS cooks: Sondra Vaughan, Nancy Green, Mary Walton. They cook nutritious meals for the students at PCHS.

The PCHS custodial workers: Jim Ryder, Head Custodian — Morgan McComb, and Sondra Vaughan. Not pictured: Wilma Dilley. They spend their days fixing, moving, and cleaning the school.



Lecturing during half-time of the Homecoming game is head coach, Delmos Barb.



A big part of high school life, sports give students times to participate in the games that they enjoy playing. Sports have given many students opportunities for college scholarships. The football team began practicing in August and continued through a cold fall, ending their season with a record of 6-4. At the same time, the soccer season took place. Their record was 11-3, sixth in the conference.

Cheerleading gives students a chance to "be on" first the football team and then the basketball teams. The cheerleaders worked very hard to support all the players.

The volleyball team worked with determination, ending their season with a record of 2-1.

Varsity came basketball . . . The boys ended their season with a record of 12-9 and the girls 10-10.

The baseball team worked hard to make their second season a success. Track gave a variety of students a chance to sharpen their skills in a variety of running, jumping, and throwing events.



Varsity players Kristy Kane and Kristen Bennett take playing basketball very seriously.

Adding Some Excitement



Puzzling

GOALS!

The 1996 Warrior soccer season started out with a loss, but the team quickly regained steam and bounced back to have an 11-2 season! All of the

Warrior team members contributed something to the success of the team.

From the first set of ratings on, the Warrior team was in the top 10 in the state. The ratings include both AA and AAA schools. They were sixth a few times. A win over the AAA schools they played boosted their place in the ratings.

The Warriors looked forward to the SSAC Sectional Playoff game. The Pocahontas/Elkins soccer game is probably the most heated rivalry around. The game looked very promising for the Warrior team on their home field. They were ready to play Elkins. The Warriors fought a very tough game, but the final score was 2-1. This ended their hopes for a State Championship.



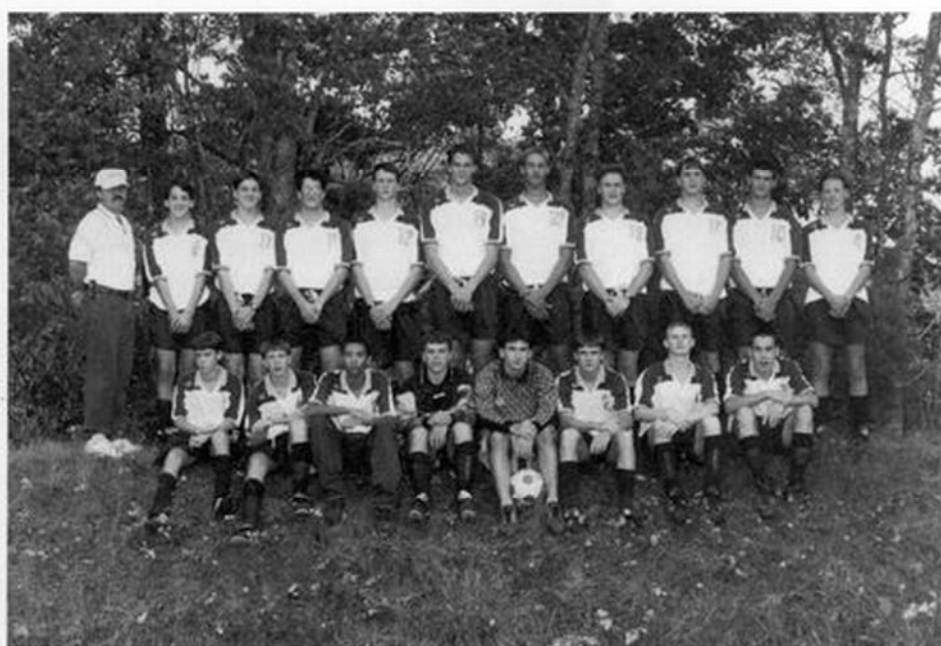
Several Warriors try to steal the ball from a Lewis County player. The final score was PCHS 4, Lewis County 0.



ch Ziegler suggests to senior Erik Heinemann ways to improve his game.



Standing: Coach Richard Ziegler, Jeffrey Bauseman, Jonah Bauseman, Erik Heinemann, Joel Johnson, Baron Heinemann, Karis Rataiczak, Ethan Johnson, David Simmons, Chad Baldwin, Cheryl Simmons; Sitting: Michael Lacasse, Sam Herold, Michael Stewart, Jason Brock, Shawn Owen, Ben McNeel, Andy Hall, Aaron Huffman.



d Simmons, junior, awaits the next play, which he could easily become involved in.

PCHS

Opponent

| | | |
|----|----------------------------|---|
| 0 | Rainelle Christian Academy | 2 |
| 6 | Shady Spring | 1 |
| 2 | Phillip Barbour | 1 |
| 3 | Lewis County | 0 |
| 6 | Rainelle Christian Academy | 0 |
| 3 | Greenbrier East | 1 |
| 12 | Summers County | 0 |
| 7 | Shady Spring | 0 |
| 2 | Oak Hill | 1 |
| 4 | Lewis County | 0 |
| 1 | Phillip Barbour | 0 |
| 4 | Greenbrier East | 1 |
| 0 | Woodrow Wilson | 2 |
| 1 | Elkins | 2 |



Seniors Eugene Strader, Mark Buzzard look up field while Evan Bosley, prior, watches his team in action.

CONNECTING FOOTBALL TO THE PUZZLE

The 1996 football season ended on a cold and snowy November 19 with a 28 to 6 win against Franklin. This was the last time the senior players would rush onto the field as Warriors.

The season began with a disappointing loss to Bath County, Va., 16-24. The team was not discouraged as they headed into their second game; but once again they fell short, with a 6 to 20 loss to James Monroe.

The team did not stop having faith, though, and the next game proved it. They defeated Summers County 21 to 0. The boys felt better than ever; but the fourth game of the season brought them back to reality. It was a 7 to 34 loss to Mount Hope.

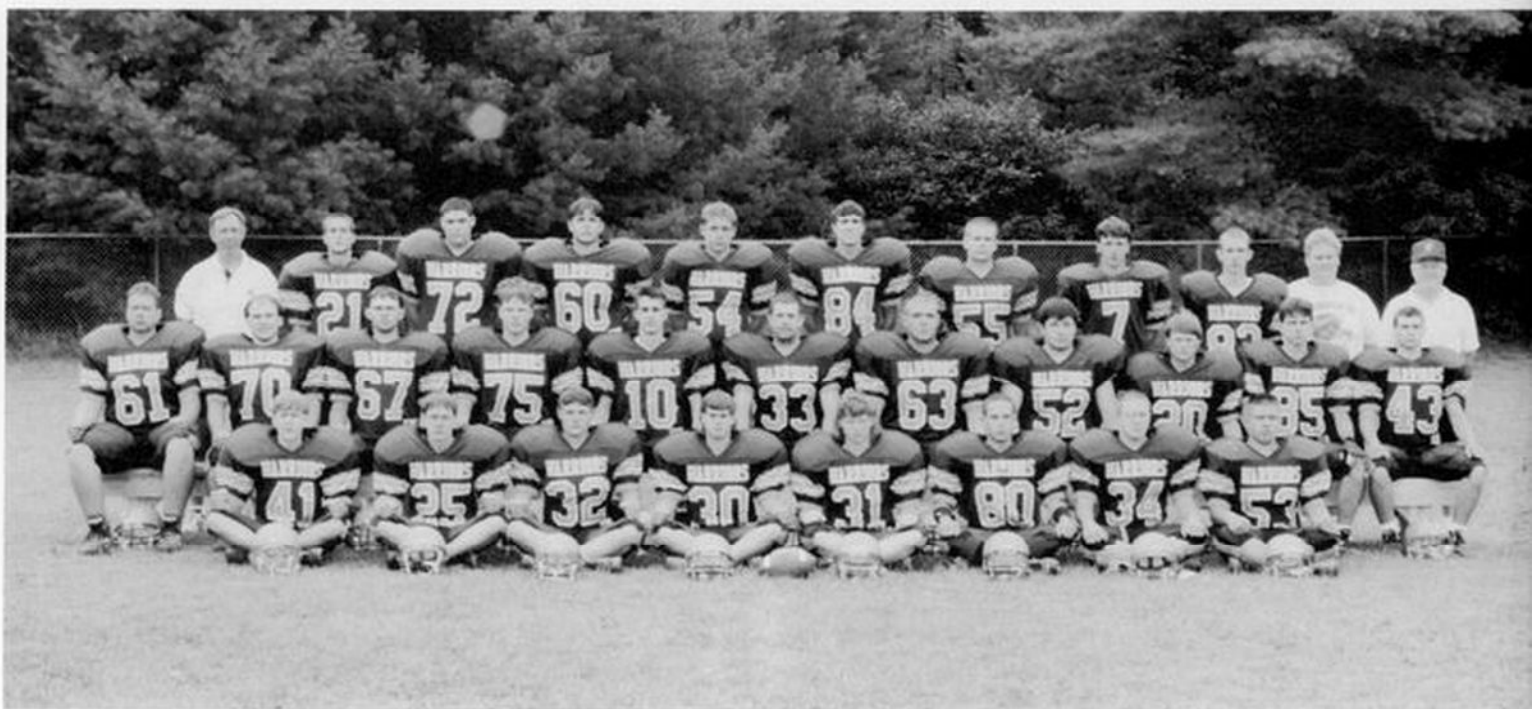
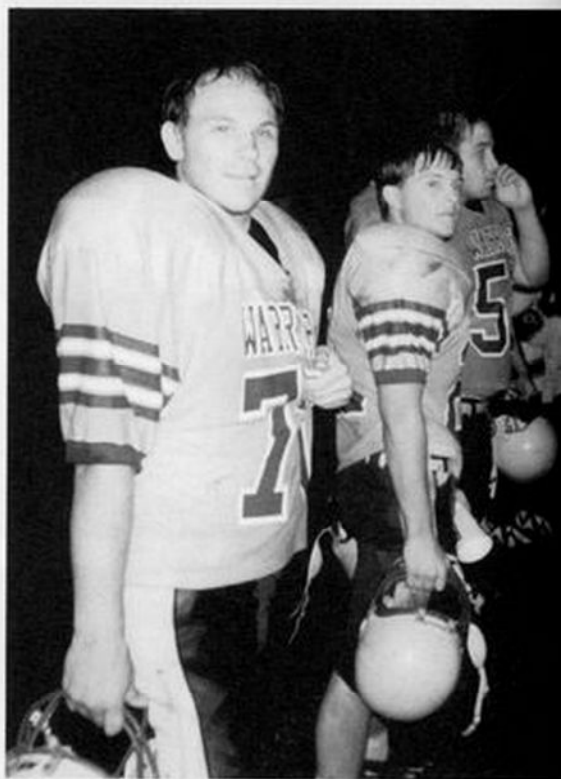
The guys, more upset with themselves than anyone else, proved they were a winning team in their next four games. They defeated Richwood 44 to 14, Webster County 21 to 6, Petersburg 46-12, and Tygarts Valley 34 to 6.

With only two games left in the season, the Warriors were 5-3 and hoping for a playoff position. The second to last game dimmed those hopes when the Warriors lost to Greenbrier West, 19-12.

The final victory, over Franklin, brought the Varsity team to a 6-4 record for the season, but they fell short of a playoff ranking.

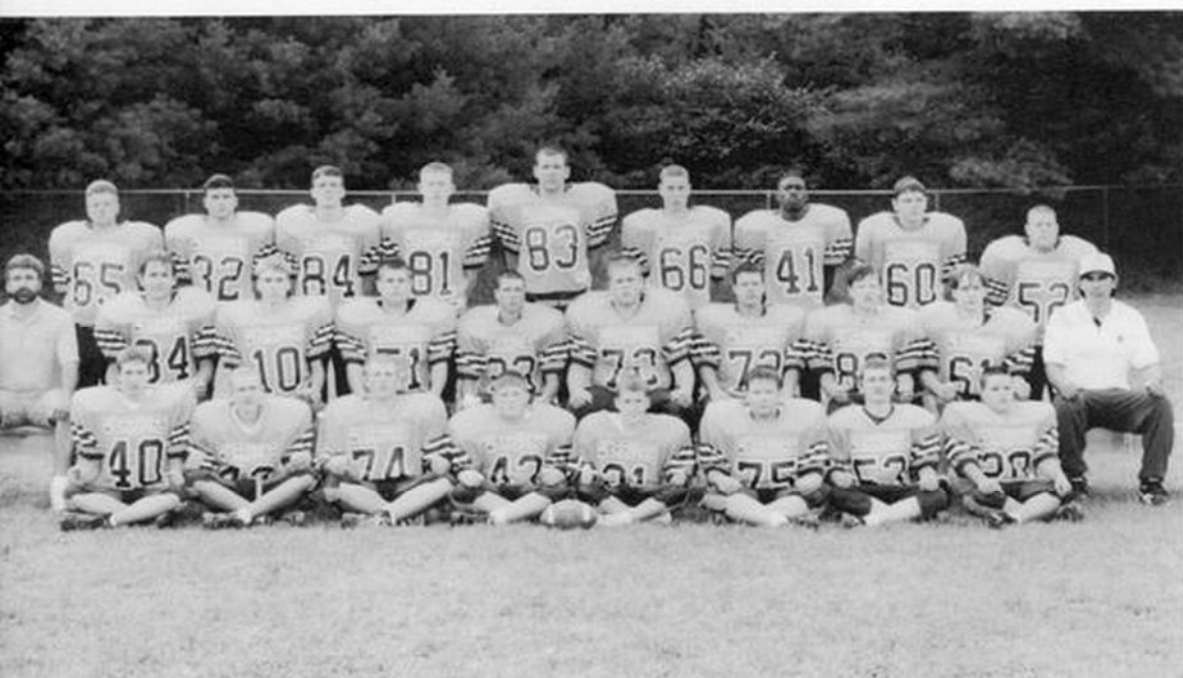
The Junior Varsity played only one separate game and lost to Tygarts Valley, 0-14.

New this year was the 8th-9th grade football team. This team was formed so that younger players could gain experience through more playing time. The 8th-9th grade team's record was 1 and 5.



The Warrior Varsity Football team consists of: (Row 1) Jared Cain, Travis Burner, Kevin King, Jeremy Smith, David Hoover, Justin Elza, Jon Michael Bosley, Eric Rice (Row 2) Trevor Nelson, Eugene Strader, Chris McClure, Chris Cole, Ryan Mickle, Jimmy Holbert, Paul Barb, Evan Bosley, Mark Buzzard, Chris Campbell, Brad McDaniel (Row 3) Head Coach Delmos Barb, Branden Fedak, Sam Good, Ben Moore, Bobby Sharp, Chad Taylor, Scott McGee, Joe Rider, Kenneth Lambert, Trainer — Kenneth Rataiczak, and Assistant Coach Jerry Buzzard. Not pictured: Seth Ferrell, Phillip Anderson, Randall Arbogast, and Aaron Childers.





The 8th-9th grade Warrior Football Team members are: (Row 1) Joey Tawney, Jason Broce, Dewey Burr, Josh Wilfong, Adam Triplett, Cole Seldomridge, T. J. Murray, Allen Ryder. (Row 2) Assistant Coach Emery Grimes, Josh Vaughan, Bradley Sewell, Matt Rhea, Craig Baldwin, Josh Grogg, O.J. Gragg, Kellyn Cassell, Matthew Hipes, Head Coach Chris Alikakos. (Row 3) Troy Goddard, Clayton Seldomridge, Chris Simmons, Clint Johnson, Eric Kelley, Denny Wimer, David Palmer, Jeremy Moore, and Adrian McCarty.



Senior Paul Barb watches the game against Summers County intently, while junior Chad Taylor directs his attention elsewhere.



The 8th-9th grade Warrior Team proudly marches onto the field for their scrimmage game.

VARSITY

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| PCHS | Bath County |
| 16 | 24 |
| PCHS | James Monroe |
| 6 | 20 |
| PCHS | Summers County |
| 21 | 0 |
| PCHS | Mount Hope |
| 7 | 34 |
| PCHS | Richwood |
| 44 | 14 |
| PCHS | Webster County |
| 21 | 6 |
| PCHS | Petersburg |
| 46 | 12 |
| PCHS | Tygarts Valley |
| 34 | 6 |
| PCHS | Greenbrier West |
| 12 | 19 |
| PCHS | Franklin |
| 28 | 6 |

JUNIOR VARSITY

| | |
|------|----------------|
| PCHS | Tygarts Valley |
| 0 | 14 |

8th — 9th Grade

| | |
|------|--------------------|
| PCHS | Richwood |
| 25 | 20 |
| PCHS | James Monroe |
| 8 | 38 |
| PCHS | Summersville |
| 6 | 15 |
| PCHS | Rupert |
| 0 | 15 |
| PCHS | Eastern Greenbrier |
| 14 | 42 |
| PCHS | Smoot |
| 18 | 34 |



SETTING

THE BLOCK

The 1996 Lady Warrior volleyball team had a difficult year, with Varsity only winning two games and Junior Varsity one.

The season began with the election of captains. The J.V. team was led by Angela Weadon, Amanda Bronson, and Hope May. The Varsity chose Katrina Richards, Megan Terry, and Katie Keller.

The freshmen and new players had to learn the techniques, while the experienced players had to be refreshed.

Coach Ruth Bland was back for her fifth season, after a two-year absence. She was assisted by Missy Jordan.

The team came together and never gave up. With the skills learned this year, the returning team should do well.



Junior Varsity — Row one: Amanda Bronson, Alison Flegel. Row two: Krissy Keller, Emily Morton, Kisha Johnston, Katrina Beth Goehner. Row three: Coach Ruth Bland, Beth Henry, Angela Weadon, Jennifer Miller, Hope May, Assistant Coach Missy Jordan.



Correctly serving the ball during a Junior Varsity game is sophomore hitter Jennifer Miller.





Coach Ruth Bland, along with senior hitter Jenny Cox, watch intensely as the play develops in a match against Franklin.

Junior Kristy Kane ponders during a pre-game warm-up about the upcoming match.



— Sitting: Amanda McComb, Katie Keller, Kristy Kane. Kneeling: Jenny Cox, Perlina Brown-
 — Standing: Coach Ruth Bland, Megan Terry, Katrina Richards, Kim Hendrick, Brandy Schoolcraft,
 — Coach Missy Jordan.

VARSITY

- Circleville *
- Greenbrier East *
- Nicholas County *
- Franklin *
- Elkins *
- Greenbrier East *
- *Nicholas County *
- Elkins *
- Franklin *
- Petersburg *
- Circleville *

JUNIOR VARSITY

- Circleville *
- Nicholas County *
- Franklin *
- Elkins *
- Nicholas County *
- Elkins *
- Circleville *

Winner



Blocking

Baskets!

The 1996-1997 boys basketball team consisted of many very talented players. With the assistance of Michael Shank, Bob Sheets led both the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams to several victories.

The boys kept very busy. If there was not practice, they were traveling to games. Basketball requires a lot of dedication. Some practices are held when others are relaxing: during holidays, early mornings, and weekends.

Basketball demands a tremendous amount of practice on fundamentals, as well as on perfecting plays and getting in shape.

Due to inclement weather, the Warrior schedule became very hectic. Many times games were cancelled and were rescheduled back-to-back. Every game was hard-fought; no one was ever sure of the outcome until the final buzzer.

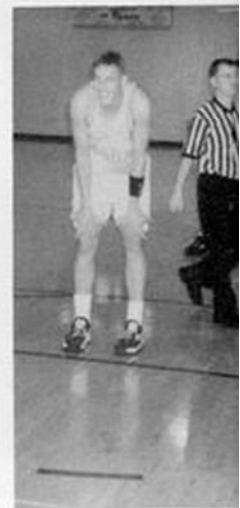
The Varsity Warriors ended the season with a record of 12 and 9; the Junior-Varsity 7 and 9.

The Warriors travelled to Petersburg for Sectionals and returned home after a disappointing loss to Tucker.



Varsity: (Row 1) Managers Andrew Rider, Jimmy Halterman, Adam Madison. (Row 2) Josh Carpenter, Chris Campbell, Branden Fedak, Chad Taylor, Philip Anderson, Philip Lehman, Seth Ferrell, scorekeeper Amanda Shinaberry. (Row 3) Coach Bob Sheets, Paul Barb, David Young, Karis Rataiczak, Luke Bennett, Ryan Mickle, Chris Cole, Gerald Bond, Assistant Coach Mike Shank.

The '96-'97 Warrior basketball team prepares for a tour of Weirton Steel during the Brooke County Invitational Tournament. They also toured SDR Plastics, Inc., on their other overnight trip.



Junior Karis Rataiczak shoots as he prepares to shoot a foul shot.





Junior Varsity players huddle around their coach, Mike Shank, as he explains the Warriors' strategy.

Snowshoe/Silver Creek presented the basketball team with a \$2,160 check to help pay for the warmups.



Varsity: (Row 1) Managers Andrew Rider and Jimmy Halterman. (Row 2) Clayton Seldom-Kellyn Cassell, Chris Simmons, Clint Johnson, Matt Rhea, Richard Hefner. (Row 3) Michael Eric Kelley, manager Adam Madison, Ben Moore, Chad Corbett.

| <i>Us</i> | <i>Varsity</i> | <i>Them</i> |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 61 | Dupont | 62 |
| 68 | Covington | 56 |
| 44 | Brooke | 95 |
| 55 | S. Charleston | 93 |
| 69 | Gauley Bridge | 44 |
| 69 | Tyler Co. | 50 |
| 61 | Richwood | 65 |
| 69 | Bath Co. | 49 |
| 70 | Petersburg | 78 |
| 64 | Bath Co. | 62 |
| 70 | Nicholas | 66 |
| 62 | Webster | 53 |
| 59 | Greenbrier West | 68 |
| 73 | James Monroe | 79 |
| 83 | Richwood | 76 |
| 82 | Tygarts Valley | 54 |
| 80 | Greenbrier West | 66 |
| 59 | James Monroe | 80 |
| 69 | Nicholas | 58 |
| 76 | Webster | 62 |
| 61 | Tucker Co. | 85 |
| | <i>Junior Varsity</i> | |
| 52 | Richwood | 68 |
| 78 | Bath Co. | 70 |
| 48 | Petersburg | 54 |
| 50 | Bath Co. | 52 |
| 61 | Nicholas | 69 |
| 79 | Webster | 67 |
| 74 | James Monroe | 72 |
| 60 | Richwood | 67 |
| 71 | Tygarts Valley | 64 |
| 52 | Greenbrier West | 41 |
| 76 | James Monroe | 84 |
| 60 | Nicholas | 49 |
| 63 | Webster | 60 |



DRIBBLING PAST OUR OPPONENTS

The 1996-1997 Lady Warriors' season began with intense practices in the middle of November, preparing for their upcoming games.

The team consisted of 12 varsity members, 10 junior varsity players, along with 7 new freshmen. The teams were coached by John Snyder and Jesse Peck.

The season began with the varsity competing in the Tygarts Valley Invitational Tournament, in which the team placed third. They also participated in the Pit Row Tournament, and they came in fourth.

The regular season brought many ups and downs, ending with a record of 10-10.

In the sectional tournament, the ladies faced an undefeated Tucker County and were beaten 47-71. Ginger Beverage was named to the All-Tournament Team.

The teams were led by two senior captains, Katie Keller and Lora Calhoun.

Lora Calhoun and Ginger Beverage were both named to the first team All-Conference.

Varsity: Row 1: Katie Keller, Shanna McComb, Hope May, Kim McLaughlin, Lora Calhoun, Kristen Bennett, Ginger Beverage, Abbie Flegel, Kristy Kane, Amanda McComb. Row 2: Manager Scottie Moore, Coach John Snyder, Assistant Coach Jesse Peck.



Junior Varsity: Back: Assistant Coach John Snyder. Row 1: Manager Scottie Moore, Kim McLaughlin, Alissa Doss, Abbie Flegel, Ginger Henry, Coach Jesse Peck. Row 2: Alison Flegel, Krissy Keller, Amanda Bronson. Row 3: Hope May, Shanna McComb.



Junior Abbie Flegel was during halftime instruct from Coach Peck.





Sophomore Kristen Bennett and junior Amanda McComb aggressively attempt to steal the ball away from the Franklin Panthers.

| <i>Pocabontas</i> | | <i>Opponent</i> |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 59 | Franklin | 48 |
| 40 | Gilmer County | 45 |
| 59 | Paden City | 57 |
| 55 | Meadow Bridge | 44 |
| 43 | Summers County | 59 |
| 43 | Webster County | 56 |
| 73 | Richwood | 29 |
| 79 | Richwood | 20 |
| 54 | Webster County | 46 |
| 43 | Greenbrier East | 45 |
| 56 | James Monroe | 47 |
| 59 | Circleville | 63 |
| 36 | Greenbrier East | 49 |
| 49 | Franklin | 47 |
| 45 | Meadow Bridge | 54 |
| 36 | Tygarts Valley | 42 |
| 64 | Circleville | 52 |
| 60 | Tygarts Valley | 61 |
| 54 | James Monroe | 33 |
| 43 | Webster County | 62 |
| 47 | Tucker County | 71 |



more Kim McLaughlin passes to the post during a game Meadow Bridge.



Sophomore Kristen Bennett, junior Ginger Beverage, senior Lora Calhoun, and senior Katie Keller regain energy during the halftime break.



C

heerleading!

Gotta Love It! —

Senior cheerleaders Susan Ten and Shelia Kramer and sophomore Jennifer Gum are doing their cheer while freshman Andrea Hefner waits to find out where she is supposed to be.

Cheerleading got off to a late start in 1996-97, with practice not starting until September, due to the fact that no sponsor could be found earlier. Thanks to Shelia Cutlip for taking on the job!

The girls had a lot of work to get done quickly to prepare for football season. There were 14 cheerleaders to start with; but, due to injuries and other circumstances, the squad was reduced to 10.

There were six new members who had many cheers and jumps to learn and four former members who had adjustments to make. Coach Shelia Cutlip chose Shelia Kramer as head cheerleader and Chanda Hill and Pam Buzzard as co-heads.

The squad missed the first two football games due to their late start, but they jumped right in at Mount Hope to kick off their season.

Practice for competition was long and hard; but, with hours of practice, the girls nailed their routine. Unfortunately, due to illnesses, they could not attend the regionals in Martinsburg.

Finally basketball season arrived, and that meant floor cheers, stunts, and trying to cheer for both boys' and girls' games. They cheered for home boys' and girls' games and then tournaments for both. It was a rough season, but the girls pulled it off.



Doing a floor cheer at a home basketball game are freshman Andrea Hefner and senior Shelia Kramer.

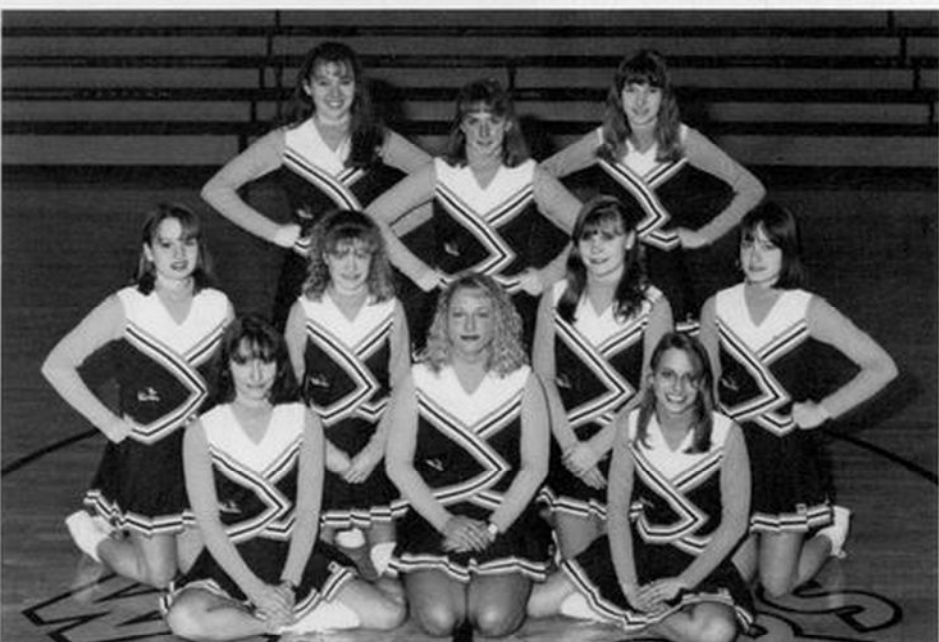


The cheerleaders tell the Warrior team to "Go, Fight, Win!"



Taking a break from cheerleading at halftime during a home football game are cheerleaders Jennifer Gum, Kristin Morris, Susan Totten, Pam Buzzard, and Tasha Dunbrack.

Practice, Practice, Practice. The varsity cheerleading squad is practicing for the upcoming game.



The 1996-97 Varsity Cheerleading Squad (Front to Back) Co-Head Pam Buzzard, Head Shelia Kramer, Co-Head Chanda Hill, Tasha Dunbrack, Susan Totten, Kristin Morris, Melissa Bond, Jennifer Gum, Brooke Taylor, and Andrea Hefner.

men Andrea Hefner and Brooke Taylor and sophomore Dunbrack are having fun cheering the football team on.



Working on That Batting Power in Baseball!

Junior Kevin King waits impatiently for his turn to bat.



The 1997 Warrior baseball team did very well, considering it was only the second year of having baseball at PCHS. Their coaches were Tim McDaniels (Head) and Doug Fedak (Assistant).

The players' first practice was held at the beginning of March, so they had plenty of time to get ready for their first big game, which was to be held on April 1. Unbelievably, that game was snowed out, but they still got in 5 games during spring break.

The team had many supporters who aided the team in being self-sufficient. The players and parents had fund-raisers such as selling candy bars, taking chances on an afghan, selling Warrior car signs and keychains, and having a Hit-a-Thon at the home field at Stillwell Park. From the candy bar sales the players got new warm-up jackets.

The baseball team was defeated in the playoffs against Tucker County at Petersburg on May 19 and 21. Losing only one player to graduation, the Warriors should have a strong team next year.



Head coach Tim McDaniels and assistant coach Doug Fedak look quite worried as their team takes the field.

Trying to hit for a home run is sophomore Warren McLaughlin.





The 1997 Warrior Baseball Team consists of (Row 1) Andrew Rider (manager), Justin Elza, Matt Rhea, John Michael Bosley, Sherman Taylor. (Row 2) Coach Tim McDaniels, Kevin King, William Fischl, Justin Vandevender, Chad Baldwin, Joel Johnson, Branden Fedak, and Warren McLaughlin.



| <i>PCHS</i> | | <i>Opponent</i> |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 3 | East Hardy | 9 |
| 1 | Moorefield | 22 |
| 7 | Greenbrier West | 9 |
| 14 | Greenbrier West | 3 |
| 3 | Bath County, Va. | 22 |
| 0 | Tygarts Valley | 14 |
| 1 | Richwood | 10 |
| 0 | Richwood | 10 |
| 1 | Tucker County | 5 |
| 13 | Tucker County | 10 |
| 3 | Webster County | 8 |
| 0 | Greenbrier East | 10 |
| 0 | Greenbrier East | 10 |
| 7 | Bath County, Va. | 8 |
| 4 | Richwood | 14 |
| 1 | Richwood | 8 |
| 2 | Petersburg | 22 |
| 2 | Petersburg | 20 |
| 1 | Circleville | 4 |
| 6 | Circleville | 14 |
| 1 | Tucker County | 9 |
| 2 | Tucker County | 12 |

Freshman Andrew Rider, manager, and junior Jamie Carr get ready to cheer as their team takes the lead.



THE LEADING EDGE

The 1997 track season began with two weeks of conditioning in the beginning of March. Throughout the next weeks the runners began to specialize.

The track meets were held at Glenville State College, Webster County, Nicholas County, Independence, and Oak Hill.

The regionals were held at Woodrow Wilson High School. To go to States you must place fourth or higher in the event. The girls that qualified were Elizabeth Clark, Kathleen Lacasse, Angela Weadon, Tosha Combs, Emily Morton, and Beth Henry. The boy members were Ryan Mickle, Luke Bennett, Phil Lehman, Paul Barb, Ethan Johnson, Jared Cain, and Randy Friel.

At the State Competition Randy Friel placed fourth in the 400-meter and second in the 800-meter runs. The 4X400 team of Mickle, Bennett, Lehman, and Friel placed sixth. Tosha Combs placed third in the 800-meter and fifth in the 1600-meter runs.

Congratulations on a great year!



Freshman Ginger Henry takes her starting position before the 4X100 Relay at the Glenville track meet.



The lady 4X400 relay team enjoy a few minutes of relaxation before the race at the state meet.



"It was hard work, but going to States made it worthwhile."
— Angela Weadon

"I had a great year, thanks to Coach, and good luck to next year's team."

— Randy Friel



"It was fun! I'm looking forward to next year!"
— Bar Hinema





Senior members of the state track team enjoy a few minutes together before they run the next race.

Junior Adam Madison keeps the pace up during the 4X800 relay.



Junior Tosha Combs gladly accepts her medal at the state track meet. She placed third in the 800-meter and fourth in the 1600-meter run.



The 1997 Track Team Row 1: Hope May, Ginger Henry, Krissy Keller, Amanda McComb, Katie Keller, Jennifer Deputy, Kathleen Lacasse, Joye McLaughlin, Autumn Totten, Michelle Wimer. Row 2: Coach Wiley, Phillip Lehman, Kristy Kane, Tosha Combs, Abbie Flegel, Beth Henry, Jennifer Miller, Elizabeth Clark, Angela Weadon, Eric Heinemann, Coach Barb. Row 3: Jonah Bauserman, Ethan Johnson, Ryan Mickle, Baron Heinemann, Adam Madison, Luke Bennett, Paul Barb, Chris Cole, Randy Friel, Jared Cain.



"I enjoyed track, and we had a lot of good talent."
— Tosha Combs

"I was proud of the team's performance. I'm looking forward to another great year."
— Michelle Wimer



"We had a good hurdle team this year; we'll all miss the seniors next season."
— Amanda McComb



The
Last

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the Game!

Ready to run are the 1997 Warrior track team seniors: Paul Barb, Ryan Mickle, Chris Co
Elizabeth Clark, Randy Friel, Erik Heinemann, Kathleen Lacasse, Ethan Johnson, Katie Kell
and Luke Bennett.

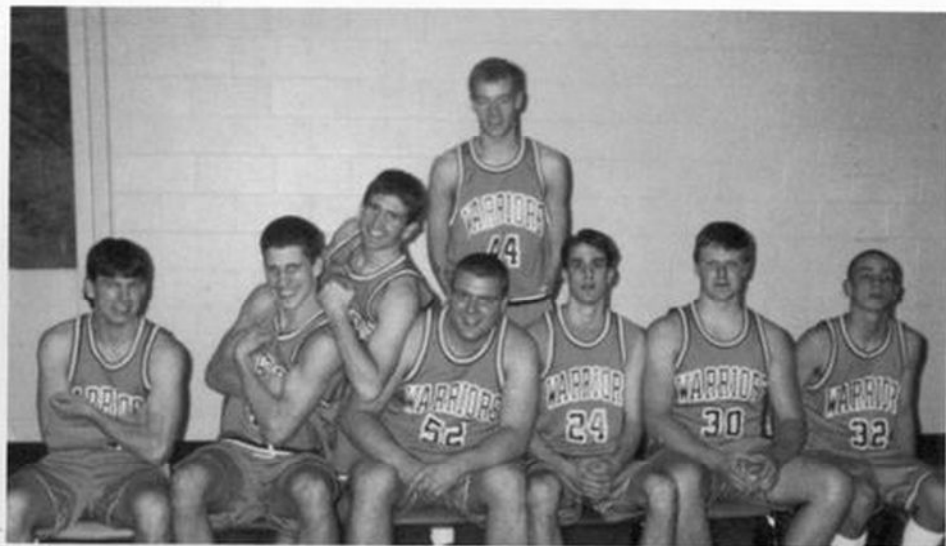


Only one senior, Billy Fischl, played for the 1997 Warrior Baseball team.

The senior football players get together to say their final goodbyes. Front — Phillip Anderson, Mark Buzzard, Jimmy Holbert, Chris McClure, Eugene Shrader, Bradley McDaniels. Back — Paul Barb, Evan Bosley, Aaron Childers, Chris Cole, Ryan Mickle, Trevor Nelson, and Chris Campbell.



ing just one last time in front of the crowd are the senior cheerleaders, Chanda Hill — co-head, Shelia Kramer — , and Susan Totten.



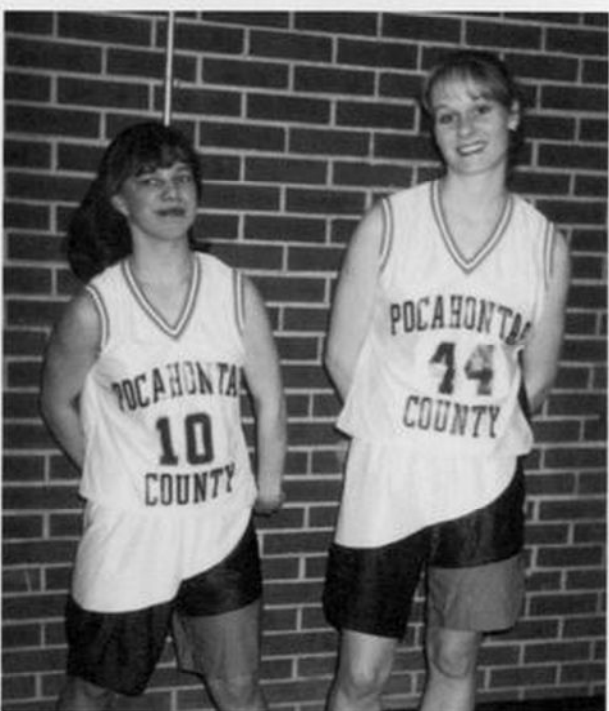
Playing their final year are the 1996-97 senior Warrior basketball players, Chris Campbell, Luke Bennett, Phillip Anderson, Paul Barb, David Young, Ryan Mickle, Chris Cole, and Gerald Bond.



All tired out from their previous game are the seniors from the 1996 Warrior soccer team: Randy Friel, Erik Heinemann, Ethan Johnson, and Cheryl Simmons.

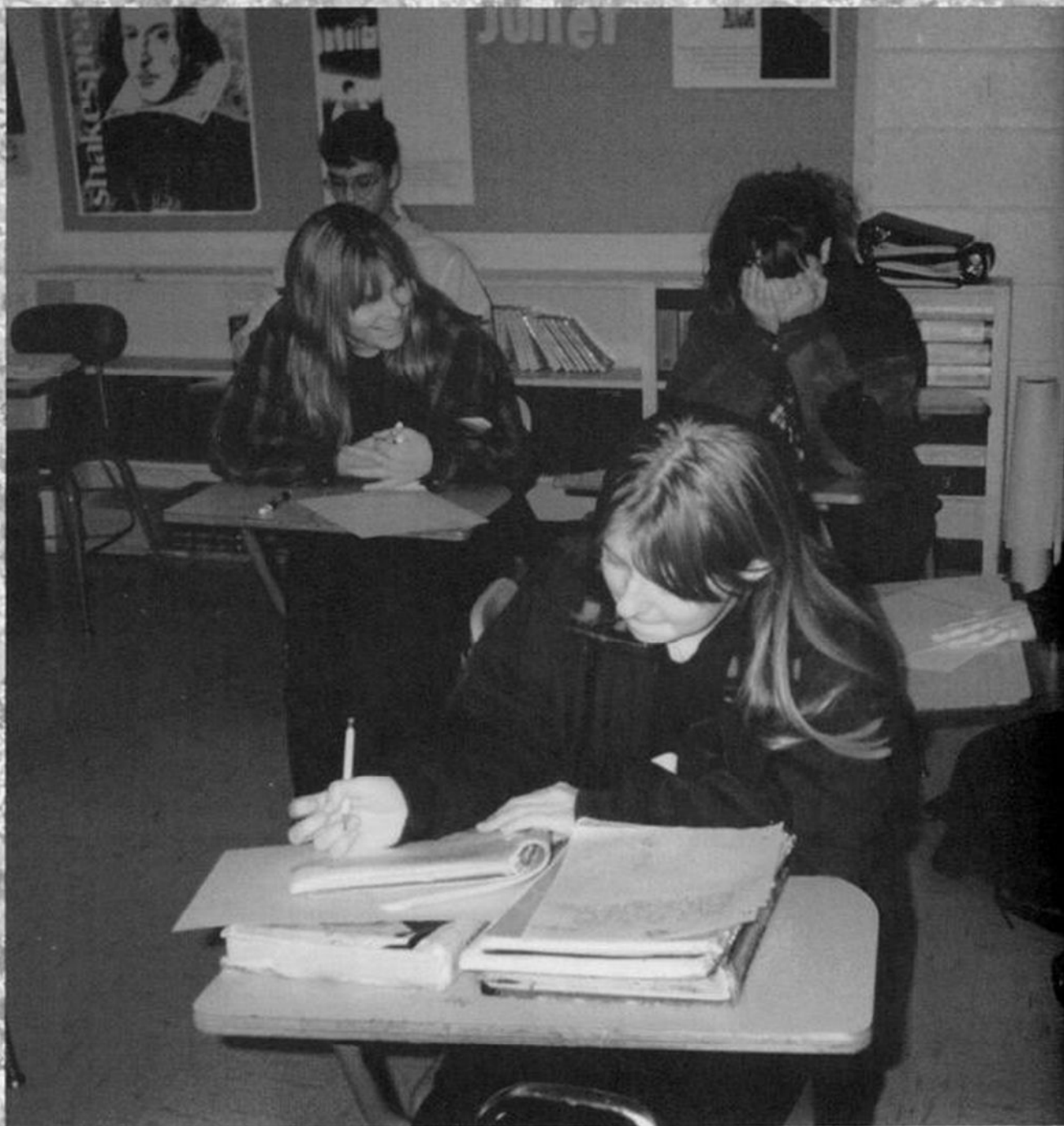


together for a group hug at their last game are the senior volleyball players: Megan Terry, Katie Keller, Katrina [unclear], and Jenny Cox. Not pictured: Kimberly Hendrick.



All ready to go are the senior Warrior girls basketball players, Katie Keller and Lora Calhoun.





Working diligently on their English work are sophomore Jennifer Loudermilk and freshmen Sarah Parker and Kristen Wilfong.



Students began making schedules in the spring of 1996. Block scheduling would add some room for choices. Most Seniors were only required to take English. Juniors had few required classes and could take more electives. The Sophomore class now could take a couple of elective classes, and Freshmen had to take all required classes except two electives. A few faculty changes took place for the 1996-97 school year. The math department lost Mr. David Tupper, who became acting principal at Marlinton Middle School; taking his place was Mrs. Cathy Mosseso. The English department lost Ms. O'Brien, who was replaced by Mrs. Glenda VanReenan. The Vo-Ag classes lost Ms. Deanna Poole and gained Mr. Joe Riley.

Academics is the main focus in school. Students need to plan their schedules carefully and do their best possible work in every class.



Grading Schedules



MAKING IT ALL ADD UP IN MATH AND SCIENCE!

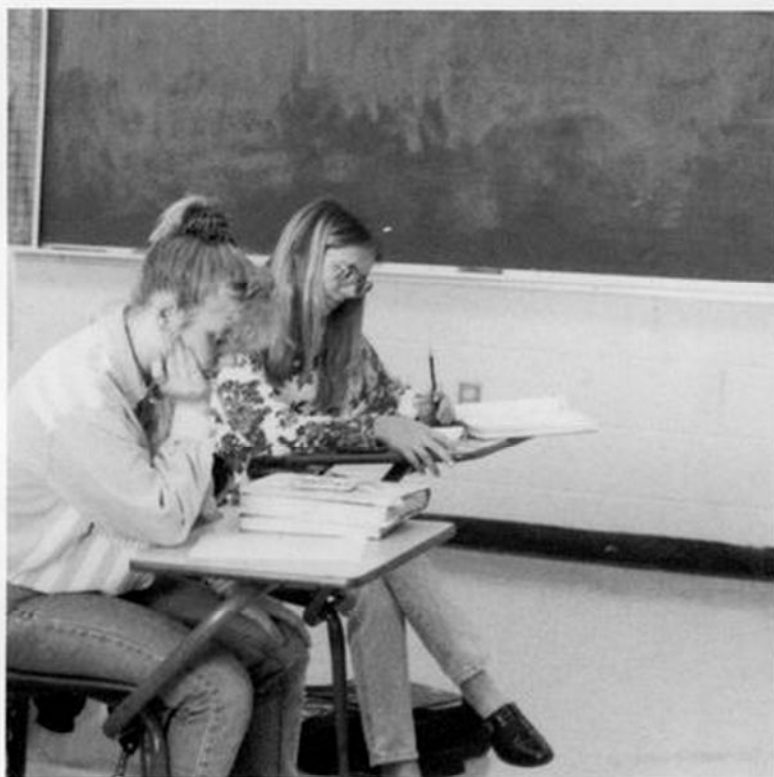
Math and Science are two classes that may require more work than others. While some students seem to whiz through the two classes, the rest of the students need to really crack down on the book.

The Math classes that are available are: Applied Math, Transitional Math, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Trig/Precalculus, Honors Geometry, and Honors Algebra II.

The Science classes that are available are: Basic Science 9, Integrated Science 9, Integrated Science 10, Earth Science, Chemistry, Physics, Anatomy/Physiology, and Honors Chemistry.

The students are able to get help when they need it. For example, they can go to their teacher(s) before school and/or during lunch. Tutoring is available during noontime.

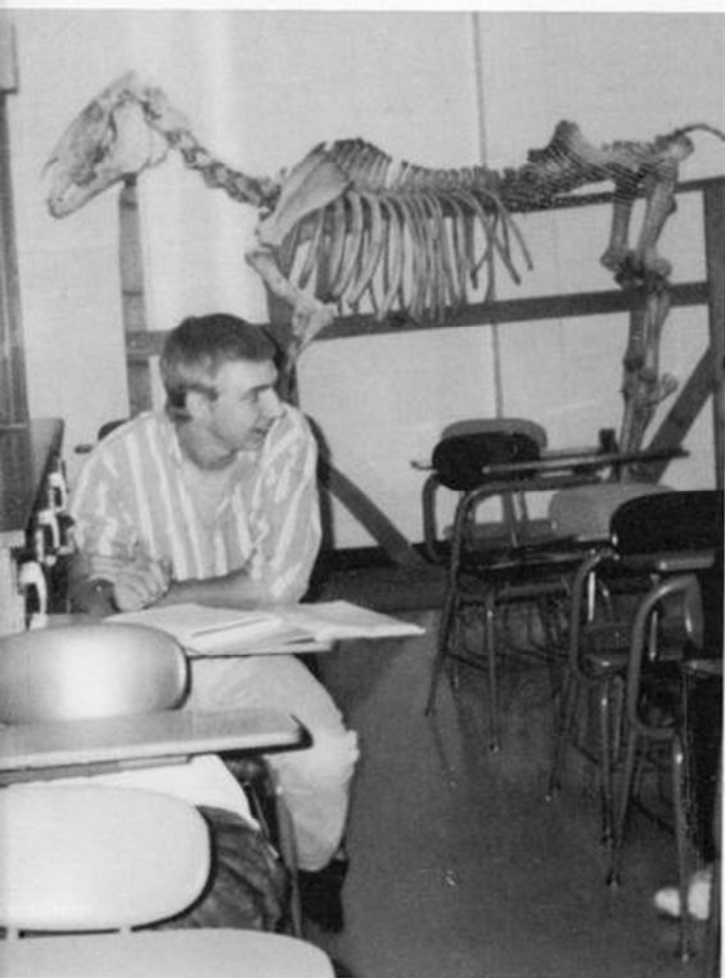
Students will use their Math and Science skills for many things throughout their lives.



Juniors Jennifer Conner and Jessie Landis work hard in their 4th period Applied Math Class.



Getting a reference book off the shelf is sophomore Sarah Perry in her 3rd period Science class.



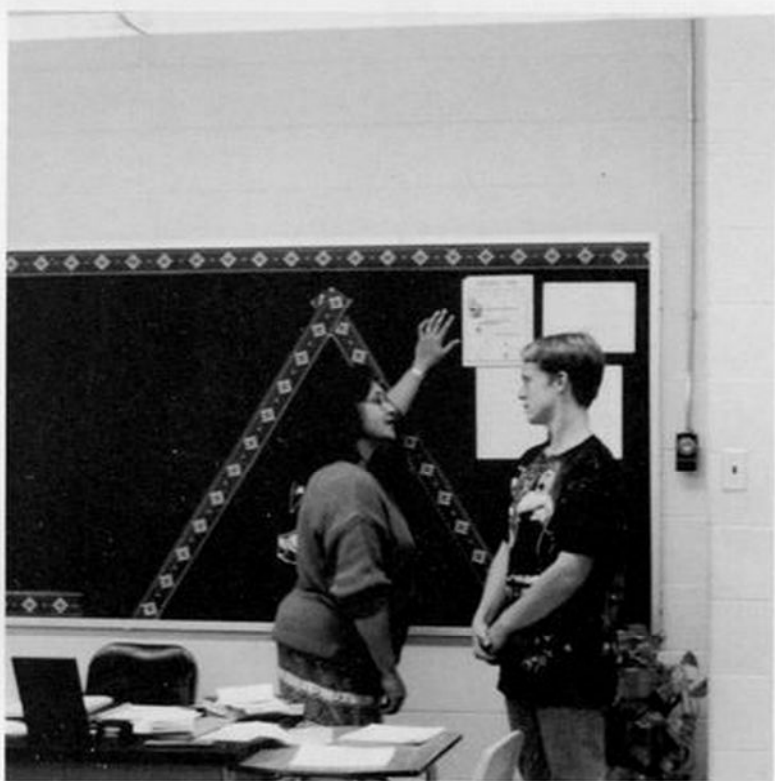
Senior Billy Fischl seems to be enjoying his 4th period Biology class.

Mr. Shank's 4th period Geometry class seem to be having fun while doing their assignment.



Seniors Tosha Combs, Luke Burdette, and Ben McNeel and sophomore Josh Carpenter help each other during their 4th period Trig/Pre-calculus class.

Asking Mrs. McGee for some help with his Algebra II is senior Jeff Bennett.



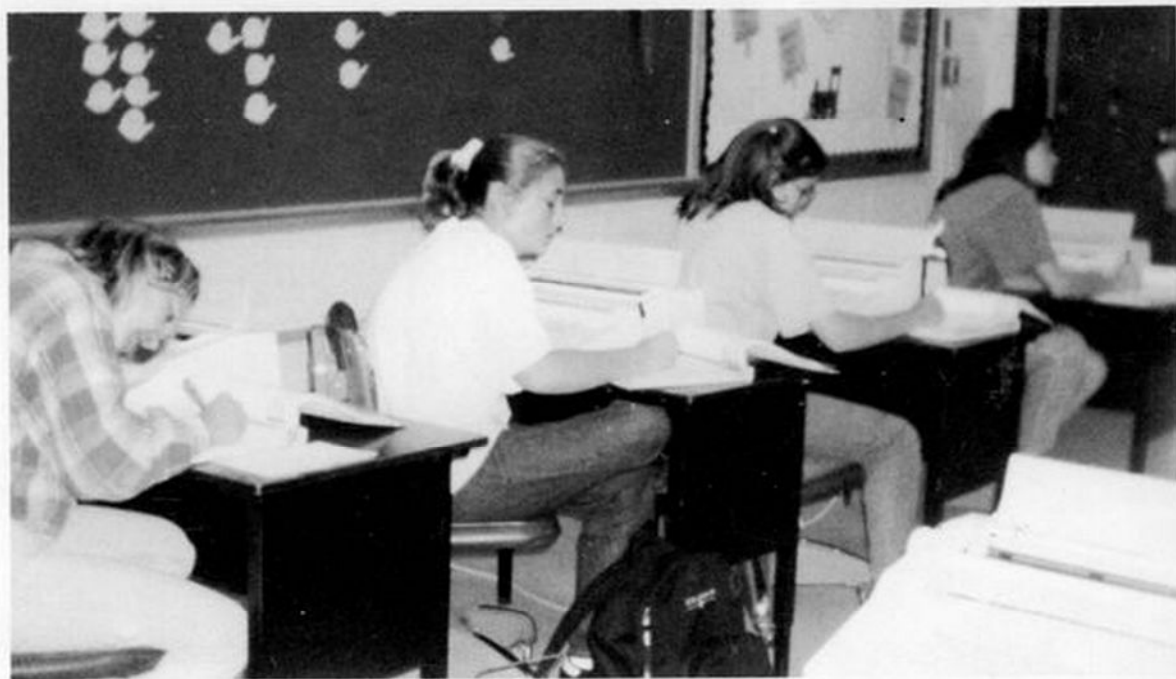
“Puzzling Problems and Computer Chips”

A variety of classes are offered at PCHS to help students learn important business skills. The classes offered in the Business Department by Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Rhea are Keyboarding I, Accounting I and II, Word Processing and Advanced Word Processing, Office Technology, and Intro. to Business. Mrs. Hall offers Computer Programming and Computer Literacy.

These teachers work hard all year to teach students skills that can help them get ready for their future jobs and careers. These classes help students write reports and type assignments for classes like English and Social Studies, also.

With having more computers available and longer class periods, the students have a chance to use the skills they have learned during their free time for fun or for school projects.

Some business students join FBLA, or Future Business Leaders of America. They compete in business contests at the State Leadership Conference in the Spring in Charleston.



Mrs. Rhea's 4th Block, Keyboarding I, seems to be concentrating on taking notes.





Junior KimShea Galford seems to be distracted to the side of her computer in Mrs. Hall's class, while Alex Gelis is glued to his computer screen.

Senior Tonya Brown and junior Baron Heinemann are doing fine in their Keyboarding I class 3rd Block.



Hard at work is Mrs. Stewart's Accounting I class, 1st Block.

Junior Stephanie Arbogast is concentrating on the Word Processing assignment Mrs. Stewart gave.



Where It All Began

The School Yearbook class got started early. The staff of 19 began by attending a workshop on August 27, 1996. There they learned everything from designing layouts to writing captions. "Making the Pieces Fit" was the title the staff came up with.

Being a member of the yearbook staff is very demanding. Staff members must not only work on drawing layouts and sizing pictures while they are in school, but they must also attend all after-school activities to take pictures.

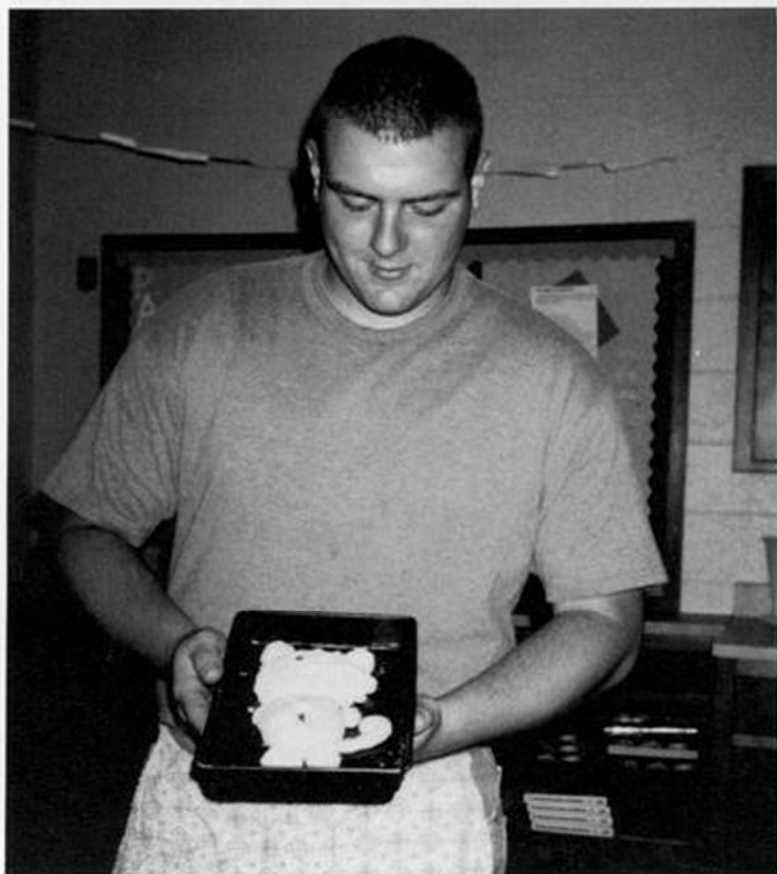
The staff worked together and "made the pieces fit" to make the 1997 yearbook the best possible.

Consumer Science covers a variety of subjects from hospitality and quick foods to parenting and adult roles.

Food Production started off by making quick breads. They later made yeast breads and jelly rolls.

Parenting and adult roles teach students to be responsible and to prepare them for the world that awaits them.

Senior Phillip Anderson stops to take a look at his dough while making bread in his hospitality and quick foods class.



Senior Paul Barb shows off his yeast bread lion that he made in Mrs. VanReenen's 3rd block class.



Senior Christopher Campbell concentrates on making bread in his 3rd block class.



Seniors Chanda Hill and Katie Keller are working together sorting underclass pictures in their journalism class.



Junior Pamela Buzzard and senior Stacey Dickenson are helping out with underclass pictures.



For Jessie Estep and senior Jamie Friel work hard trying to make their deadline in Mrs. Rhea's last period class.

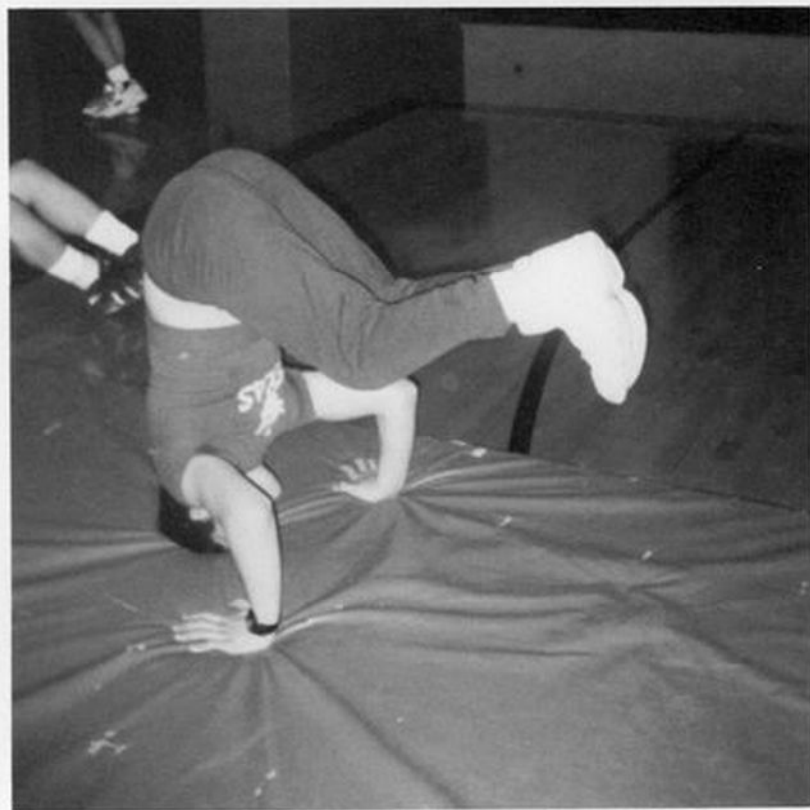


Playing With The Pieces

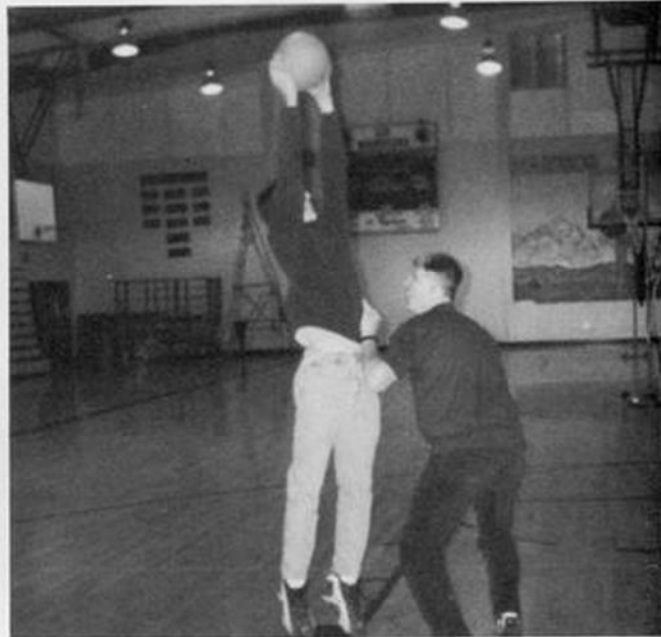
Physical Education is a required course. Many students choose to go ahead and take P.E. their freshman year, but some wait until later. During P.E. the students cover basketball, hockey, soccer, volleyball, lacrosse, baseball, football, and gymnastics. This year Advanced P.E. was offered 2nd block, and several juniors and seniors chose to take this course. To be in this course, students had to have already taken one year of P.E. Mrs. Reta Rose teaches P.E. and says "The body should always be in good health."

Health is also a required class, and many students choose to wait and take it later. In this class, students cover everything from the human anatomy to healthy eating habits. Mrs. Reta Rose and Mr. Ed Hill both teach health.

One of the most important topics students cover in Health is the importance of sexual abstinence. They are told about the effects of AIDS and other serious diseases.



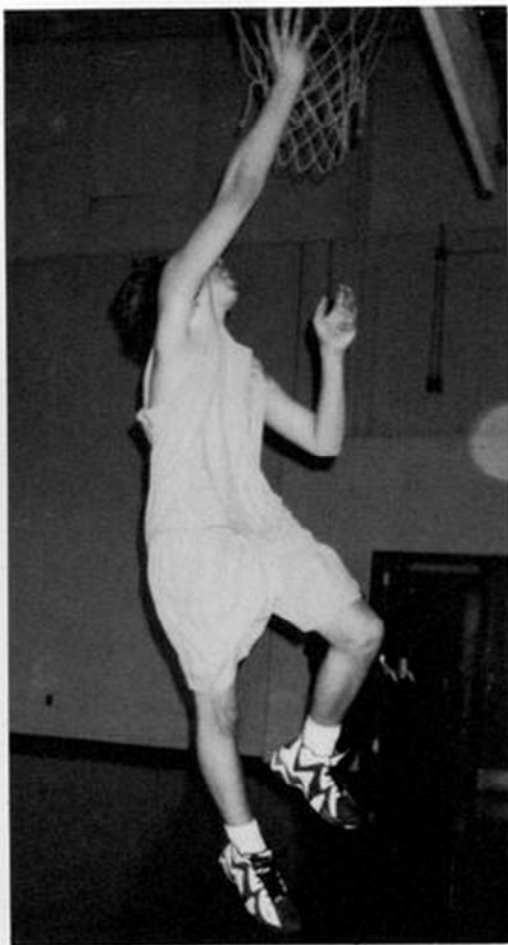
Freshman Harry Fisher seems to be mastering the art of headstanding in his 2nd period P.E. class.



In 2nd period Advanced P.E., seniors Ryan Mickle and Chris Cole are enjoying a side game of basketball. Self-defense was another topic taught Advanced P.E.

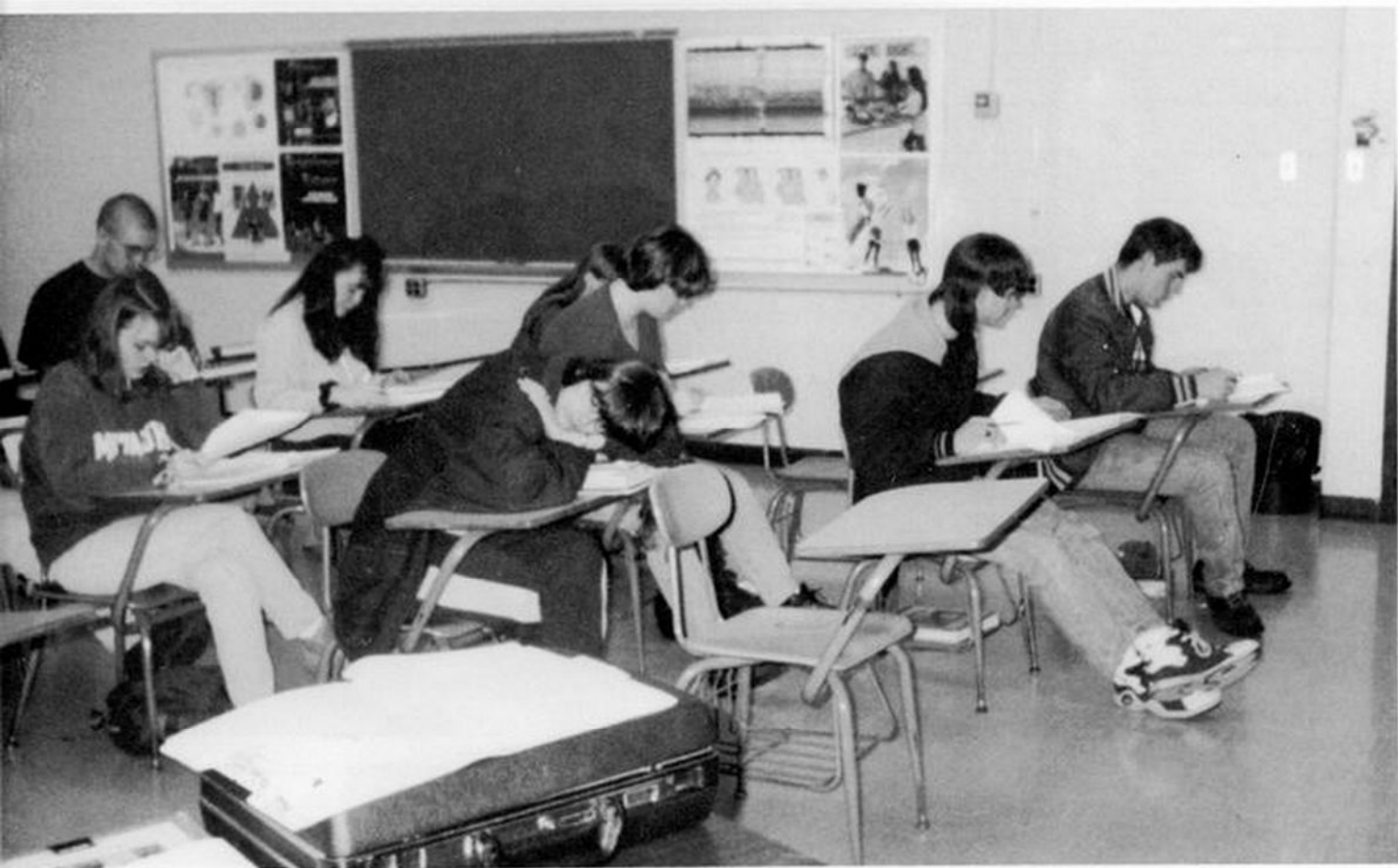


Freshmen Ginger Henry, Hollie Hollandsworth, Alison Dickenson, and Stacy Bond sneak a little goofiness behind Mrs. Rose's back and seem to be having a blast.



Freshman Matthew Hipes was wide open for the pass down the floor. He goes up for a lay-up, leaving his opponents behind.

In Mr. Hill's 2nd period Health class, a new way of teaching was introduced. Mr. Hill would "prep" a student teacher and then that student would teach the class the material. This class is working on their worksheets.



BREAKING THE BARRIERS THROUGH ART & FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Art and Foreign Language are two areas of courses that several students are interested in. The two foreign languages that are offered are French and Spanish.

French is taught in levels one through five, by Dr. McNeel.

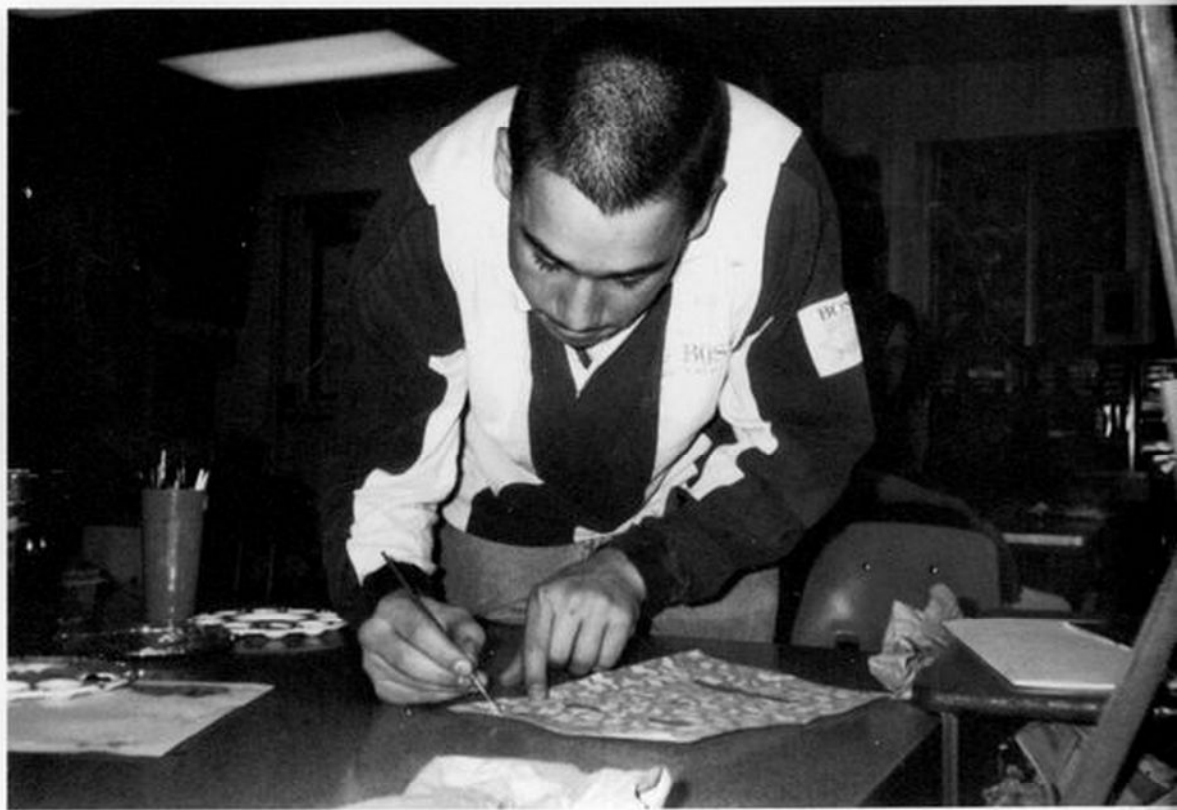
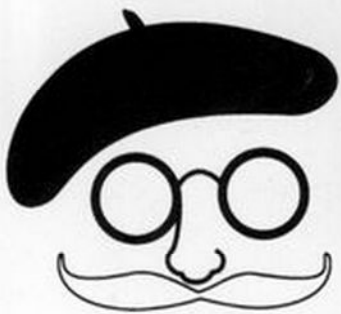
Spanish also offers levels one through five to the students. Mrs. Friel teaches the Spanish students.

Both foreign languages participate in contests to test their knowledge of the language. They hold a county-wide Foreign Language Festival and travel to Bethany College to participate in the Bethany Language Festival.

Art is taught by Mrs. Leary. A wide variety of courses are available, such as: Art Design, Drawing and Painting, Ceramics, and Art Expression.

The students also have a chance to travel to Tamarack in Beckley and the Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh to experience new art.

Many students take art and foreign languages to have a taste of culture, while others need the credits for college.



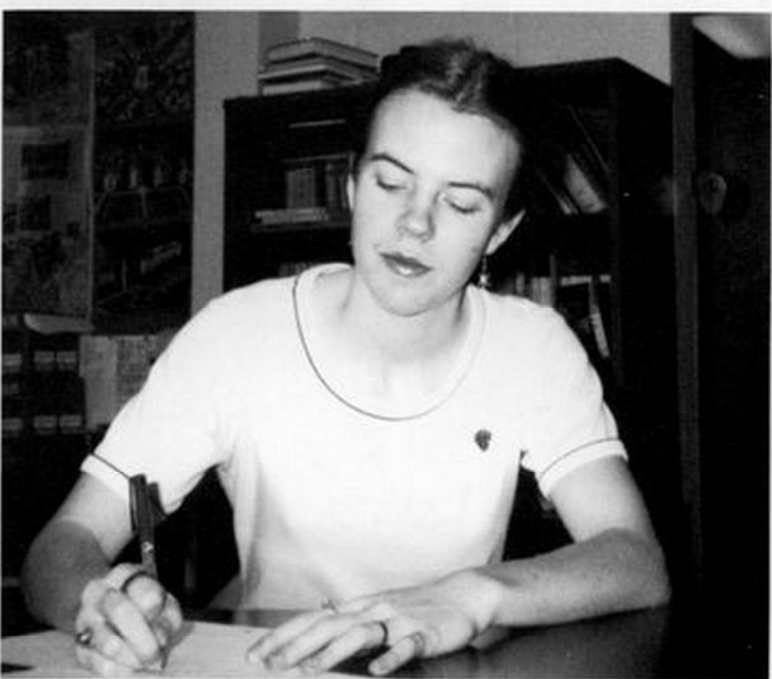
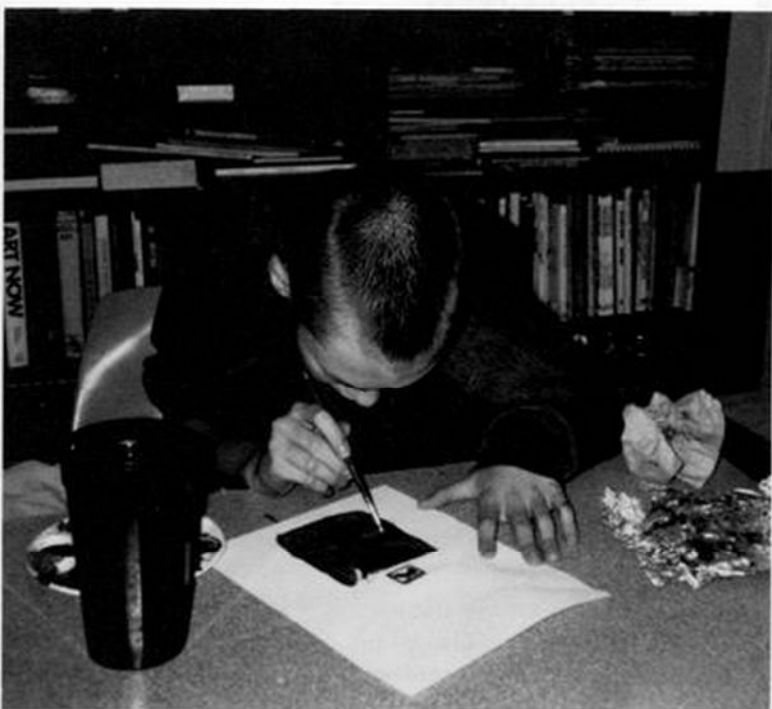
Putting the finishing touches on his art project during fourth period is freshman Aaron Huffman.





Drawing and listening to Mrs. Friel during Spanish II is sophomore Leanne Holbert.

Freshman Caleb Smith is deep in thought while painting during fourth period art class.



Answering questions on a French IV test is senior Elizabeth Clark.

Concentrating on completing her bookwork is sophomore Jamie Smith.



SPECIAL AND DRIVER

EDUCATION

Two advantages our school has are Driver Education and Special Education. The Special Education classes for English and Math are small and provide one-on-one instruction.

The math classes concentrate on the basic operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

The English class stresses reading, spelling, vocabulary, comprehension and grammar.

The classes have students with varying abilities, so each student works on a different grade level in a different book. Mrs. Taylor usually teaches these classes.

Mr. Herold has students come to his resource room for extra help; sometimes he reads to them or helps them with homework.

In Mrs. Wiley's Driver Education class, she not only teaches classroom lessons but also first-hand experience behind the wheel. She teaches the needed requirements to keep drivers safe on the road and everything needed to know to be safe in an accident.

This course will always be in demand.



Sophomore Joshua Smith takes time out for some serious exercise.



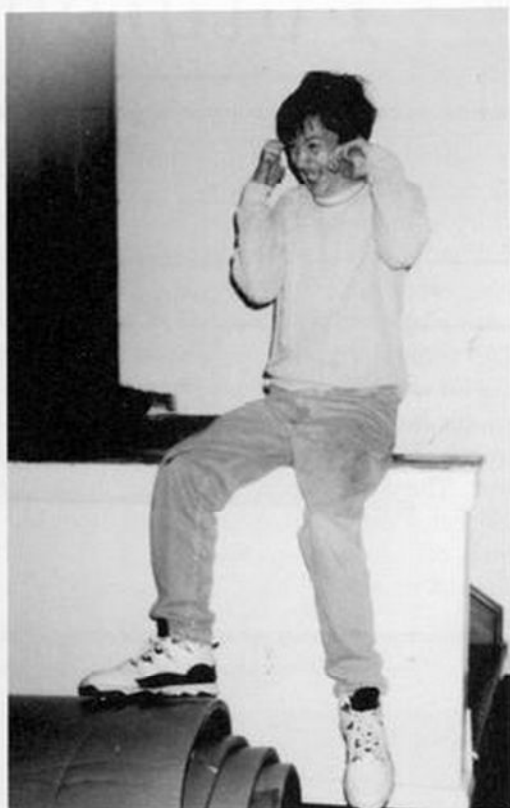
Seniors Robbie Long and David Ames seem to really enjoy having Mr. Herold's class at the end of the day.





Mr. Barb and junior Rusty Friend get ready to take a spin in the Driver Ed. car. Mr. Barb helped Mrs. Wiley with the behind-the-wheel training.

Junior Jason Potter patiently waits to participate in P.E. class.



Discussing the importance of driving safely is Driver Education teacher, Mrs. Wiley.



Paying close attention to the important statistics of driving are Mrs. Wiley's Driver Ed. students.



Welding and Carpentry: Building Blocks for Our Future!!

Welding is a skilled Science Technology. Welding theory, metallurgy, basic blueprint reading, welding symbols, some science and basic math are some of the things taught and learned in Welding Technology. Students are certified by the State of West Virginia according to the American Welding Society Standard. The proper amount of hours completed at the school by a student can determine the student's certification, some obtain work at excellent pay scales.

The carpentry classes worked on numerous projects this year. They built changing booths for the girls and boys basketball teams. They also built several doghouses, speaker boxes for the gymnasium, and an 8' by '12 building for the Thornwood Church. They resingled the boathouse below Seneca Lake for Seneca State Forest. They also helped build a showerhouse behind the office at Seneca State Forest. Later during the year they helped build a house for Habitat for Humanity off Laurel Run Road.

Welding is taught by Mr. Richard Thompson; Carpentry, by Mr. Sam Taylor.



Being amused by his friends is freshman Craig Baldwin, while laying off rafters for a doghouse.

Learning how to stick weld is junior Jay Cassell.



Showing what he can do in Welding Technology I is Carl White, sophomore.





Senior Eric Phillips is learning how to do Electric Arc welding in Welding Technology.

Working hard on their doghouse are freshman Ben Withers and sophomores Justin Withrow, Trampus Warner, and Travis Vandevander.



rs Kris Nutter and Brad McDaniels show sophomores Mark Davis and McCall how to build a showerhouse at Seneca State Forest.



Putting siding on a doghouse in Carpentry I are Charles Ray and Jeremy Cain.

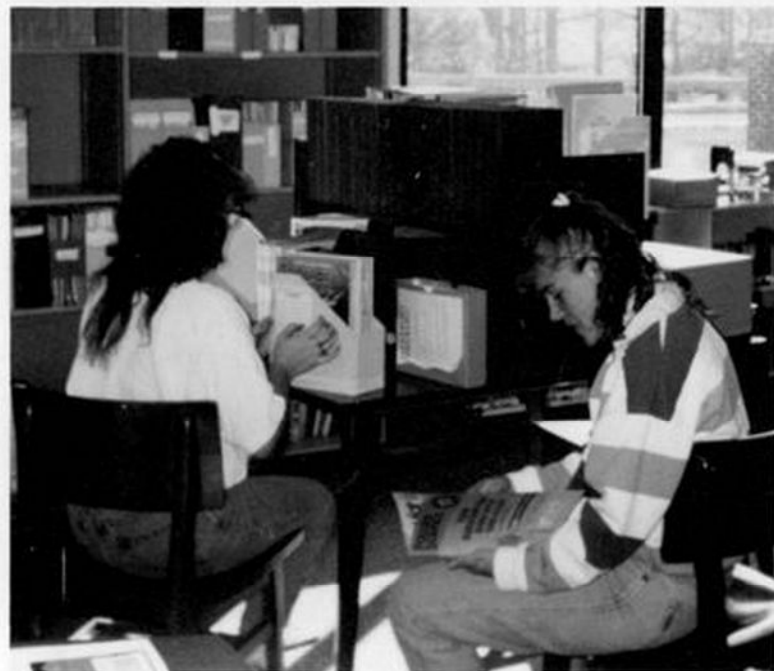


OFFICE, LIBRARY, & REMEDIATION . . .

The center of every school, including PCHS, is the office. This is the place where school officially begins and ends. Days before the students start, the office staff starts. The office staff includes: Principal — Tom Sanders, Vice-Principal — Glen Wade, Secretary — Nancy Rexrode, and Accountant — Cora Lee Carpenter. The office is one place in the school everybody ends up one time or another. The students go to the office for everything from pink sign-out slips to notes so they can eat lunch.

The average day for the office begins at 7:30 a.m. and does not end until 3:30 p.m. or 4:00. While at school, the whole office staff works hard at trying to stay organized.

Another mainstream place for students is the library. In



Library aides Marlene Jones and April Blankenship, seniors, finish the day by organizing magazines.

Sophomores Josh Hoover, Matthew Carver, and Jennifer Deputy work diligently trying to finish their English assignment in the library.

FITTING THEM IN!

charge of the library are Ms. Retta Blankenship and substitute librarian Mrs. Joan Fromhart. Since the library is one of the main places in school, the librarians need help from the two aides every period.

The students go to the library to check out books and do research. They also go to the computer lab. The computer lab is attached to the library. Because of this, Ms. Blankenship is also in control of it. This is the perfect place to type up homework assignment.

Remediation is a class that was designed to help students who have difficulty keeping up with their peers. The teacher who helps these students is Mrs. Linda Beverage.





The PCHS Office Staff are (sitting): Principal — Thomas Sanders. (Standing): Accountant — Cora Lee Carpenter, Secretary — Nancy Rexrode, and Assistant Principal — Glen Wade.



Sophomore Rick Love and junior Richard Tawney study science with the assistance of Mrs. Beverage.



Mrs. Stewart chats with Ms. Blankenship, Librarian, during their lunch duty.



Making the Right Connection

Electricity teacher Mr. Ziegler is always hard at work teaching his students.

Electricity and Electronics are two of the vocational classes offered at P.C.H.S. that stress hands-on experience.

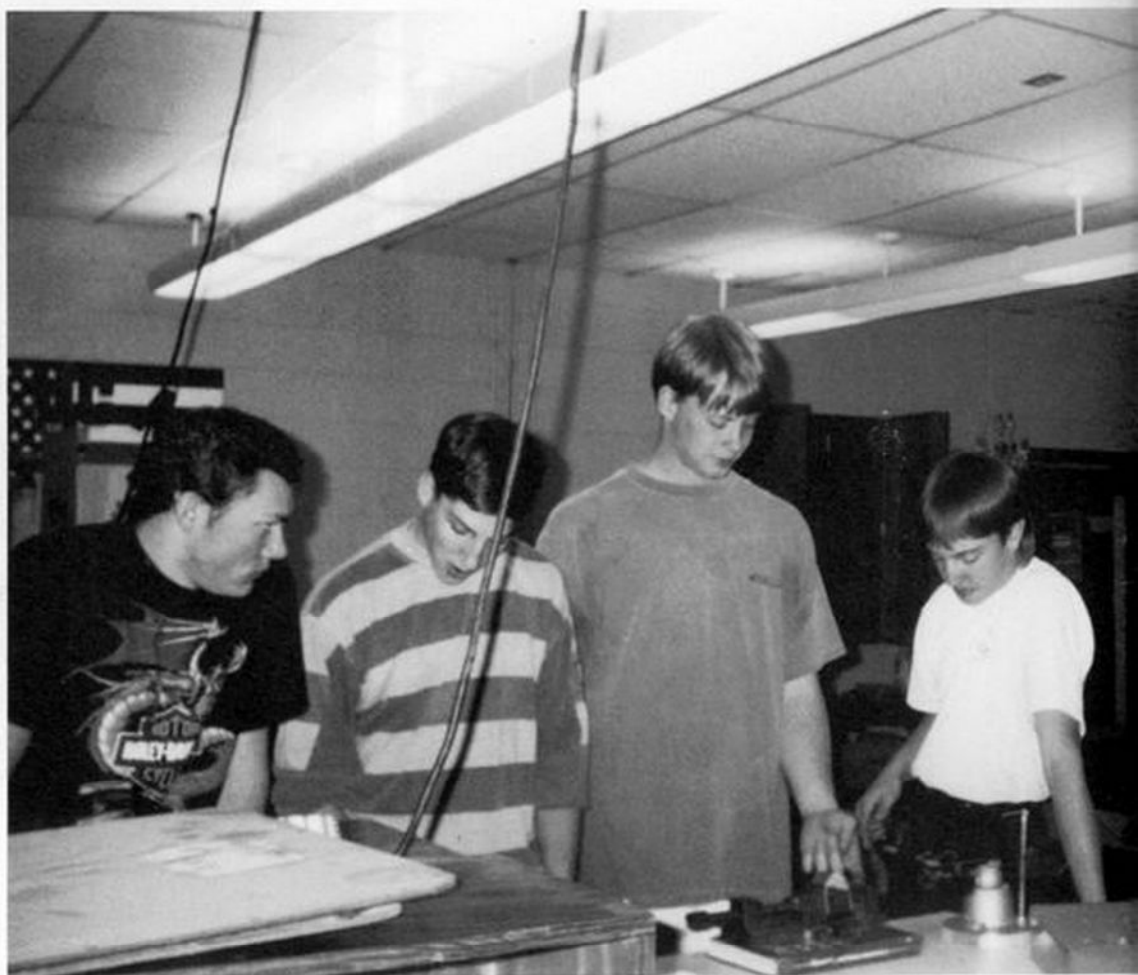
Mr. Ziegler is the teacher of the Electricity classes. Mr. Ziegler has beginner students and also more advanced students. Beginner students learn basic skills and also theory. Advanced students use old skills and also new skills to complete more complicated projects.

Mr. Beverage teaches Electronics and also Principles of Technology. Mr. Beverage also teaches his beginner students basic skills and terms. The advanced students are taught new skills to use along with old skills to do more complicated electronics work.

Mr. Beverage also sponsors a club called Vocational Industrial Club's of America, VICA. In this club, students get a chance to show off their skills at a state competition and can even advance to nationals to try and bring home a gold to P.C.H.S.



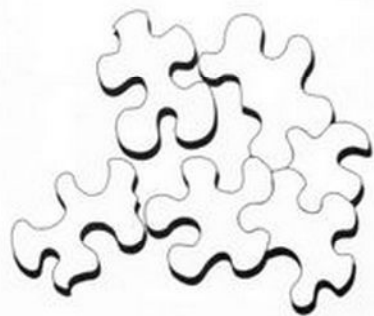
Ian Bennett, Jonah Bauseman, Chad Kizer, and James Peteete are concentrating on their project in Mr. Beverage's Principles of Technology class.



Cieglar's Intro. to Electricity class is hard at work
on their lab project.



Brian Sharp and Jared Cain are
working on a few problems in Elec-
tronics class.



Browning, Jeremiah Junkins, and Rusty Friend
are learning some skills before starting a lab project
in electronics.



Ben Moore, Sam Good, and John Evans are working
on improving their Electricity skills.



In Touch With Nature In Vo-Ag & Forestry

Vocational Agriculture (Vo-Ag) and Forestry both contain not only book work and papers but also hands-on experience. They offer many skills that can be used for future careers.

In Forestry, taught by Mr. Mike Burns, the students learn about distinguishing different types of trees, how to properly operate machinery, and ways to protect the environment.

In Vo-Ag, taught by Mr. Joe Riley, the students learn about plants, bookkeeping, and shop work. They sell fruit and also poinsettias they grow in the greenhouse.

The club for Vo-Ag is FFA (Future Farmers of America). Both Forestry and Vo-Ag demonstrate their knowledge at the state competition at West Virginia University. If they win there, they proceed on to Kansas City, Missouri, for the National Competition.

This year the Forestry team went to Kansas City and placed third in the nation.



Doing all the work loading fruit and poinsettias in Vo-Ag is senior Davy Rexrode, while junior Mike Goldizen and sophomore Justin Vandevander watch.



Mr. Burns discusses measuring trees with freshmen Wally Starks and Aric Warner in his Intro. to Forestry class.



Mr. Billy McKenney puts the finishing touches on his Vo-Ag project as his own Taylor sophomore, helps.



Senior Chris McClure looks confused with the fruit forms, while sophomore Justin Vandevander works hard.

Not only boys take Forestry. Freshmen Heather Walton, Jessica Evans and Amanda Johnson are measuring a tree.



Mr. Burns in 4th period Intro. Forestry, senior James Peteete can't see eye-to-eye with Mr. Burns.



Having a group discussion on the distinction of trees are freshmen Jason Broce, Timmy Morrison, Joshua Thompson, and Brian Conley.



Freshman bass drummer
Rhea marches in the Forest Festival
Parade in Elkins.



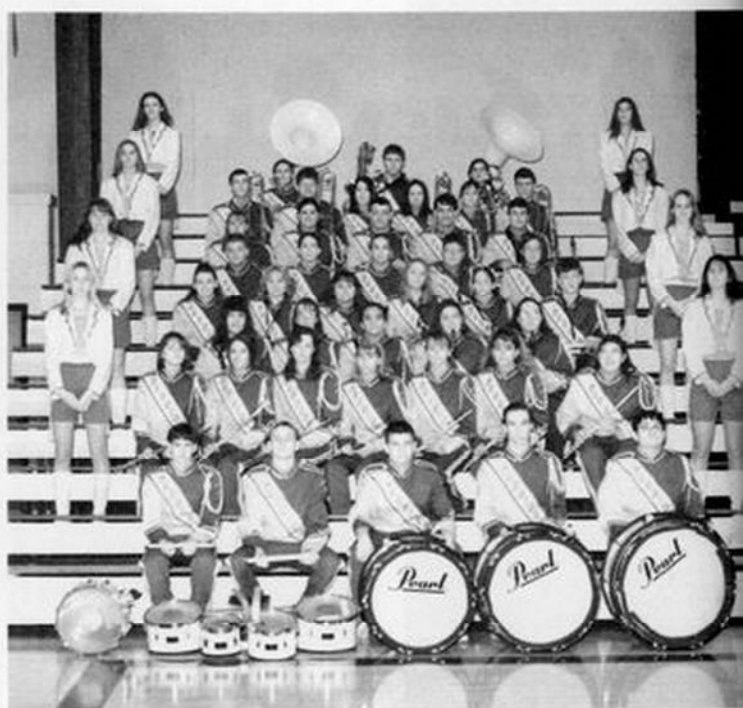
The Sounds of Music

The 1996-97 Pocahontas County Warrior Band, directed by Mr. Ron Hall, included 59 playing members and 8 auxiliary.

The students begin band in the summer during a week of band camp to prepare for competitions. They attended several competitions during the year, including the Greenbrier East Marching Classic in Lewisburg, the Forest Festival competition in Elkins, and the Governor's Cup held in Summersville. The competitions consisted of long days and hard work. They also played at home football games and one away game at Richwood.

This year jazz band was added to the Music Department. This is also taught by Mr. Hall and held the first half of fourth block. Jazz band played at the Christmas and spring concerts and at several basketball games. The future for jazz band looks bright at PCHS.

The PCHS choir was small, but they also participated in the Christmas and spring concerts.



THE 1996-97 WARRIOR MARCHING BAND



The Warrior band plays "Cherokee" after the varsity football team scores a touchdown.

Mr. Hall directs the jazz band as they play during the Christmas concert held at P.C.H.S.



1996 flag corps: Aleisha Broce, Marina Richards, Kimberly McLaughlin, Cheryl Simmons, Lora Moun, Kristen Bennett, Ginger Berage, and Kristy Kane.

Anna McLaughlin, Jessica Lan- Stephanie Arbogast, Angela low, Jonah Bauserman, Michael th, and Jeff Bauserman perform "Solph the Redneck Reindeer" at Christmas concert.



*GREENBRIER
EAST MARCHING
CLASSIC*

Drum Major — Jen-
ny Cox — 3rd
Military Inspection
— 1st
Overall Band — 5th

*FORREST FESTI-
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Drum Major — 2nd
Overall Band — 3rd
Parade — 4th

GOVERNOR'S CUP

Drum Major — 4th
Military Inspection
— 3rd
Overall Band — 6th



Mentorship: Careers for the Future

Mentorship is an extraordinary program for Seniors. It offers hands-on experience in the career students wish to pursue when they get out of high school.

It is a worthwhile learning experience for them through the exposure to a work environment. It enhances their learning and, at the same time, allows them experience in the real world of work.

Seniors are eligible for the program through honors advanced education and vocational programs. They spend part of the instructional day with selected mentors in the community or school community.

Two requirements of the program are that students must maintain a 2.0 grade point average and keep a daily log of activities.

The fields offered for the Mentorship Program were Marketing, Science, Human Services, Health, Arts & Humanities, Business, Technical, and Engineering.

This program is designed to help the students make a more informed decision about a future career.



Senior Jason Fox during his mentorship at The Inn at Snowshoe takes a break from doing his duties at the front desk.



Marlene Jones learns some computer skills at the Assessor's Office.



Charlene Hamilton, who mentored at NRAO for electronics, assembles wires to a "bread board."



Some of the students who mentored are Jason Fox, Cindy Jackson, Jessica VanReenan, Katrina Richards, and Shelia Kramer.



Katrina Richards teaches French to a Marlinton Elementary student.



Future Plans

Students had the opportunity to talk to many college representatives on College Night, which was held on Tuesday, October 8, 1996. Colleges around the area were represented, and they supplied the students with information about their schools. Some of the colleges that were represented were WOU in Parkersburg, Bluefield State College, Davis and Elkins College, and Glenville State College. Recruiters for the Armed Forces were also present, and a financial aide representative was there to help the students with any financial problems they had.

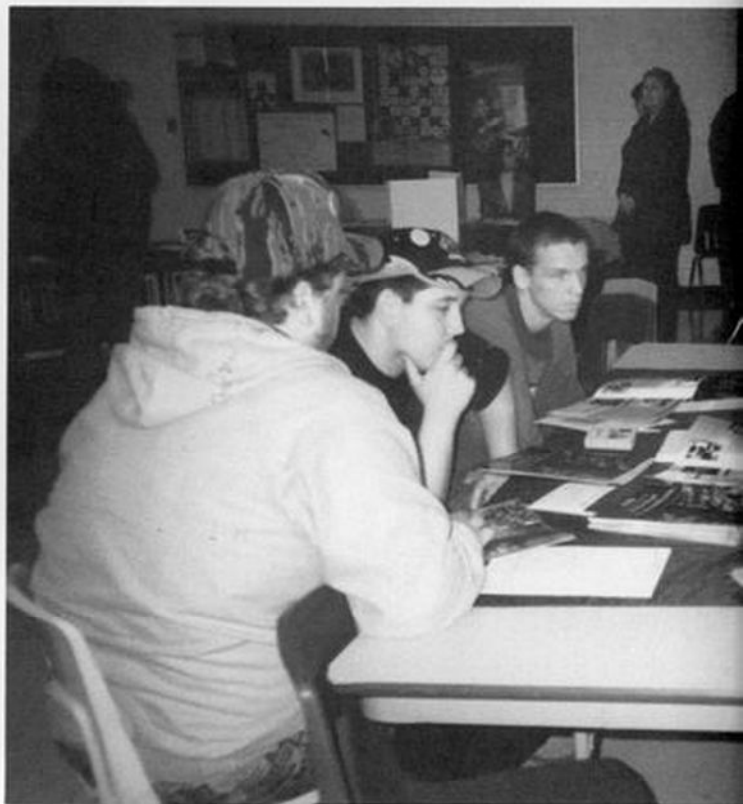
During the 1995-96 school year, the Horatio Alger Foundation offered the juniors a chance to win a scholarship of \$5,000. Hanna Smith took that chance, filled out an application, and waited for a response. A committee at P.C.H.S. selected the top three and sent them to the Horatio Alger Foundation. In the fall of 1996, Hanna Smith was notified she was the winner of the scholarship. The check was presented to her on Career Day.

At Career Day on April 11, students had the chance to interact with business representatives from around the community and state. Thanks to the guidance department for providing these opportunities.



Juniors Beth Henry and Abigail Flegel seem to have made their way around the room and this is their last stop, Shepherd College.

Having a long discussion with the representatives from Bluefield State College are juniors Jason Cassell and Spencer Mitchem and senior Matthew Alderman. Bluefield State College was one of the more popular colleges among the students.





Senior Randy Doss is taking advantage of the opportunity to talk to the West Virginia Institute of Technology representative.



Freshman Jessica Wilfong seems to be interested in the Army and the benefits it provides.



Standing in front of gathered friends and family, senior Hanna Smith gives her acceptance speech for the Horatio Alger Award.



On Friday, April 11, senior Hanna Smith was presented a check for a \$5,000 scholarship. Standing together to accept the check are Hanna and her parents, Mike Smith and Margaret Abbott.



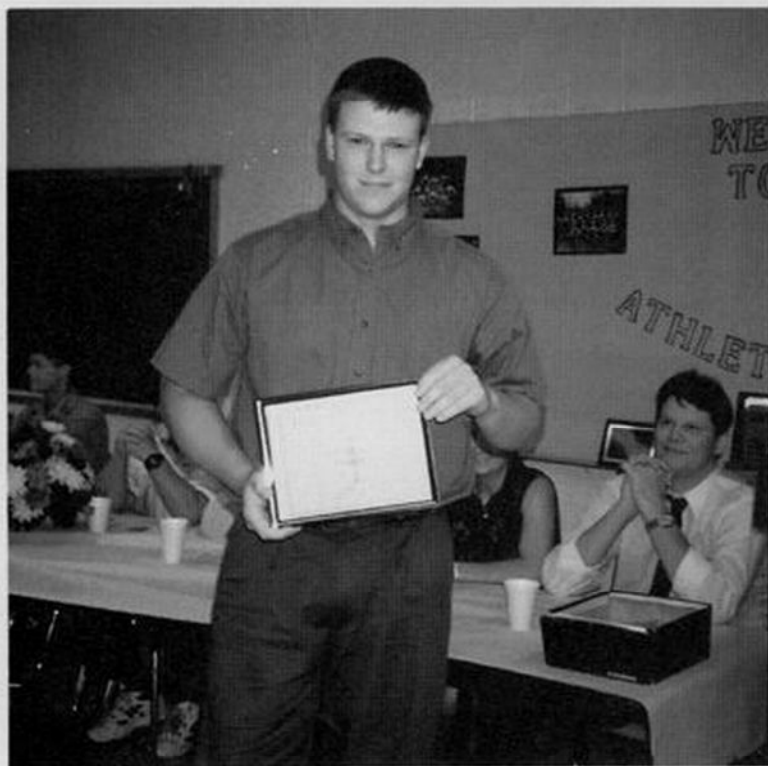
Awards Day

Awards Day began with the graduates walking in as they did for graduation. Students were awarded and recognized for Academics, Scholarships, Vocational, and Athletics.

The program started with the Welcome Speech from Mr. Tom Sanders. Senior President, David Young, started announcing Academic Awards; and the class Vice President, Katrina Richards, took over. Then Jenny Cox, the class Secretary, announced Scholarship Awards; and class Treasurer, Megan Terry, announced Vocational and Athletic Awards.

There were 14 Scholarship Awards, 9 Vocational Awards, 4 Athletic Awards, and 22 Academic Awards.

After awards were given out, the undergraduates stood up and applauded then departed from the seniors.



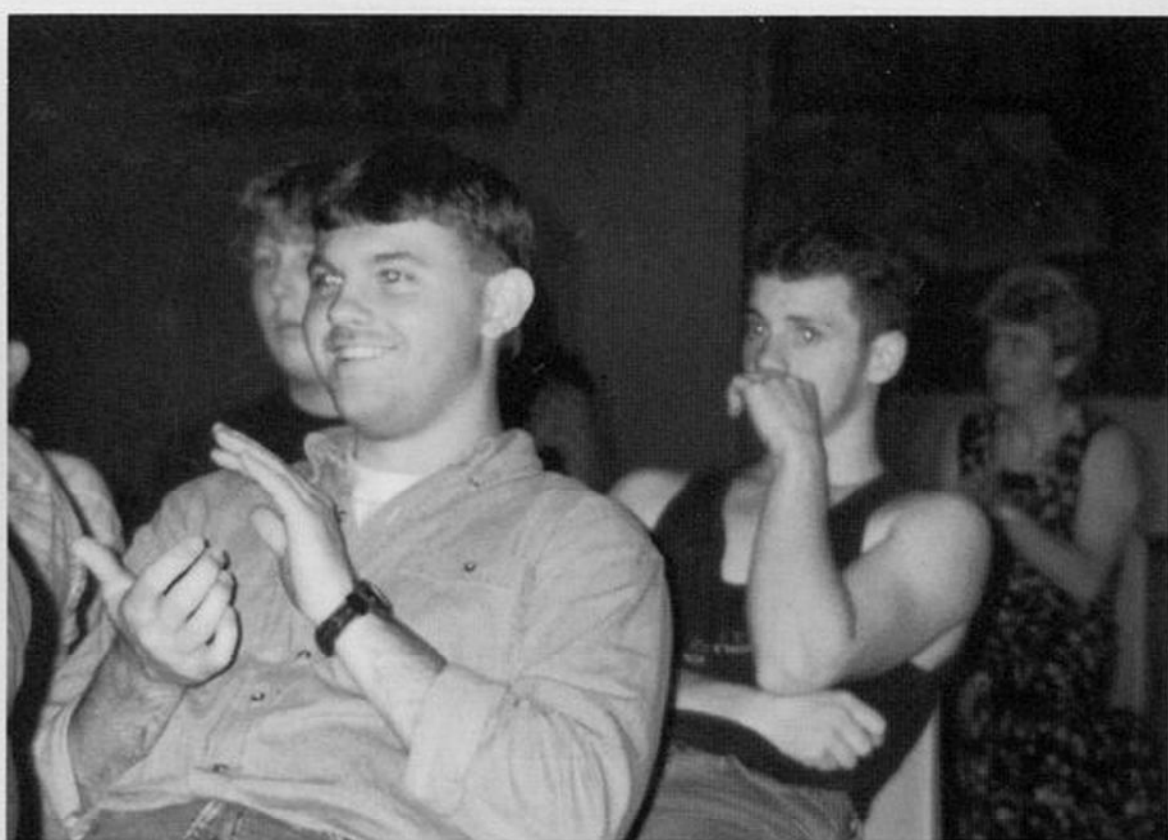
Senior Chris Cole proudly displays the Arch Wooddell Sportsmanship Award he received.



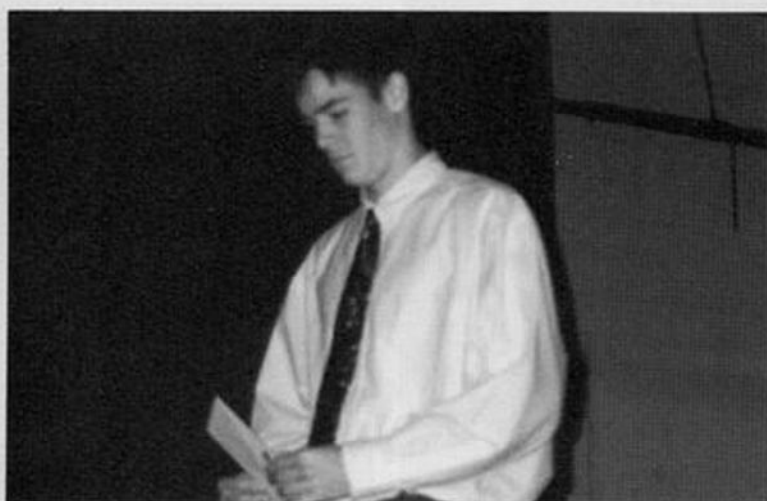
Jamie Teter, senior, goes to receive the Anna Lee Dean Business Award.



Agela Weadon and Tosha Combs, seniors, receive a certificate from track.



Senior Chris McClure applauds for his fellow classmates receiving awards.



David Young received many awards.



Mr. Keller and Luke Bennett, seniors, were awarded the June Riley Math/Ath-Award.



Scottie Moore received a four-year scholarship to Bethany College.



Completing the Puzzle



On June 8, the long-awaited moment finally arrived for the graduating Class of 1997.

Many seniors had anticipated this day ever since they stepped into PCHS as freshmen, four years earlier.

After two grueling days of final exams on the third & fourth of June, the seniors finally had a chance to relax.

On June 5, the seniors had graduation practice after receiv-

ing recognition during the Awards Day Ceremony. They finished the day off with some R&R at their Senior Picnic at the NRAO.

During the afternoon of June 8, families, friends, & graduates crowded into the gym, anxiously awaiting the start of the ceremony.

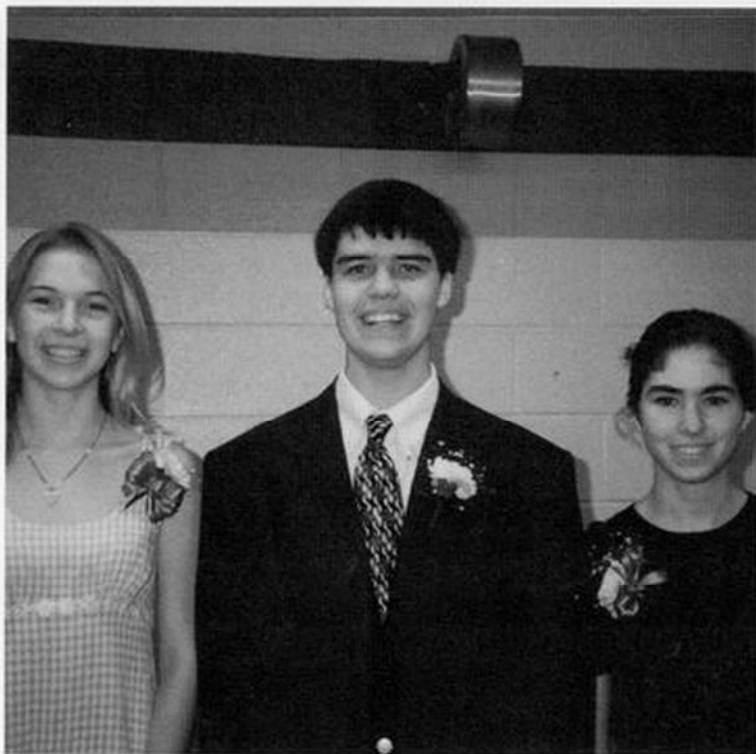
Valedictorian David Young gave an outstanding speech as he addressed his classmates.

Salutatorians were Elizabeth Clark & Hanna Smith.

After the presentation of the diplomas, the seniors were left with just one last thing, saying good-bye.

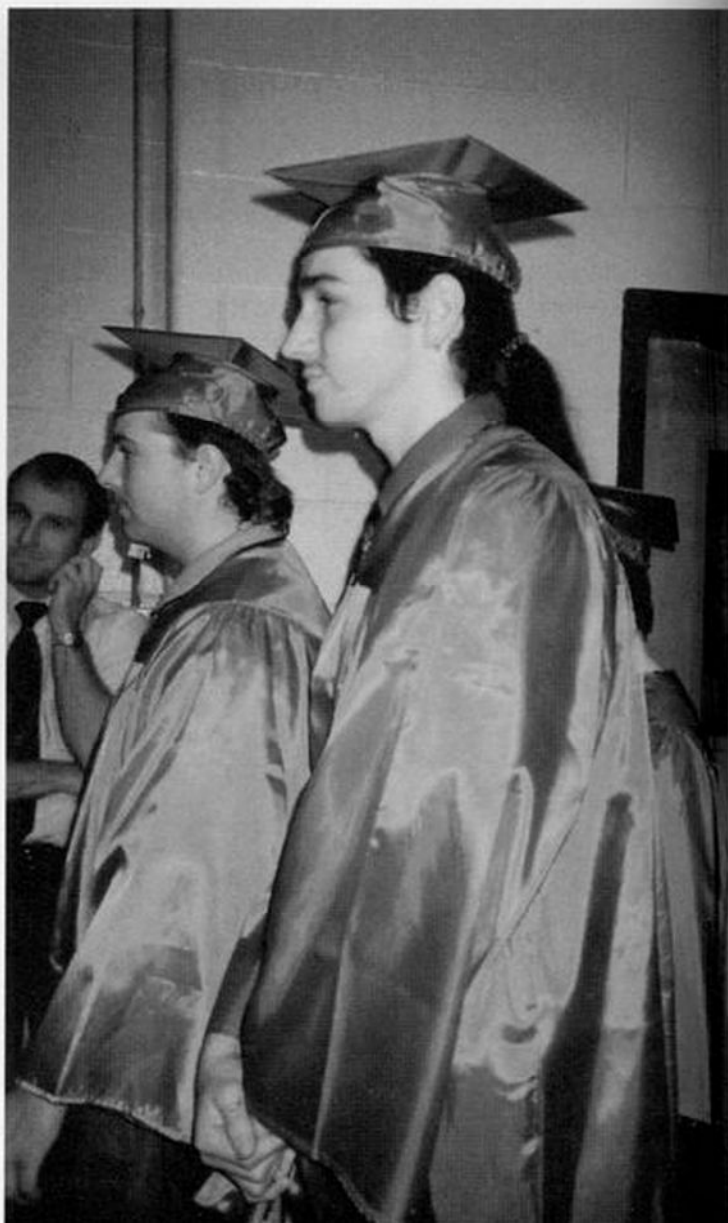
For a few seniors this was not difficult, but most saw it as an obstacle.

No matter where their roads may take them, they will always be with us. GOOD LUCK, CLASS OF 1997!



Junior Marshalls were: Ginger Beverage, Justin Rider, and Michelle Wimer.

Just entering the gym doorway to walk down the aisle are Alex Gelis and Stacy Greene.



1997 Honor Graduates: Aleisha Broce, Chanda Hill, Hanna Smith, Katrina Richards, Ethan Johnson, Nathaniel Sizemore, David Young, Luke Bennett, Eric Heinemann, Jenny Cox, Elizabeth Clark, Charlene Hamilton, Tatiana Mynuk, Kathleen Lacasse.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM June 8, 1997

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| Prelude | Linda VanReenen |
| Processional | Linda VanReenen |
| Opening Remarks | Jennifer Cox |
| Address of Welcome | Chanda Hill |
| Poem | Kathleen Lacasse |
| Remarks | Bruce McKean Pocahontas Co. Board of Education and NRAO Partnership |
| Music | Cynthia Jackson "Letting Go" Richard Thompson |
| Student Address | David Young Valedictorian |
| Reflection and Appreciation | Elizabeth Clark & Hanna Smith Co-Salutatorians |
| Presentation of the Class of 1997 | Tatiana Mynuk |
| Presentation of Diplomas | Tom Sanders, Principal Glen Wade, Assistant Principal Tom Long, Superintendent Members, Pocahontas County Board of Education |
| Closing Remarks | Erik Heinemann |
| Recessional | Linda VanReenen |

JUNIOR MARSHALS

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| Justin Rider | Ginger Beverage | Michelle Wimer |
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| Ginger Beverage | Amanda Childers | Amanda Ervine |
| Jessica Estep | Abigail Flegel | Beth Henry |
| Kristy Kane | Amanda McComb | Ben Moore |
| Justin Rider | Brandy Schoolcraft | David Simmons |
| Brian Smith | Martha Snyder | Angela Weadon |
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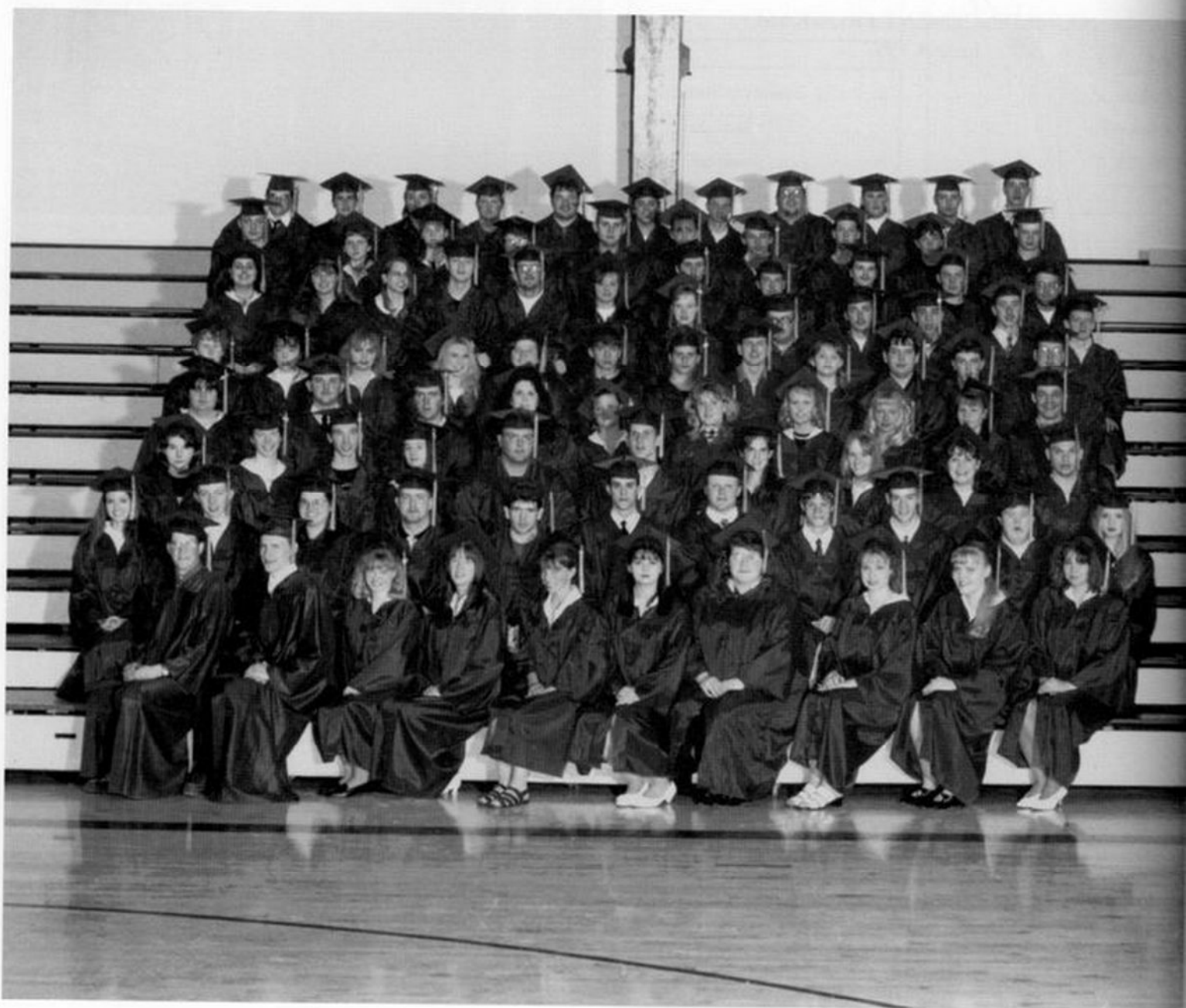
Phyllis McCray is anxiously waiting for graduation to start.



Jeff Bennett is relieved that he has finally graduated.



Class Of '97



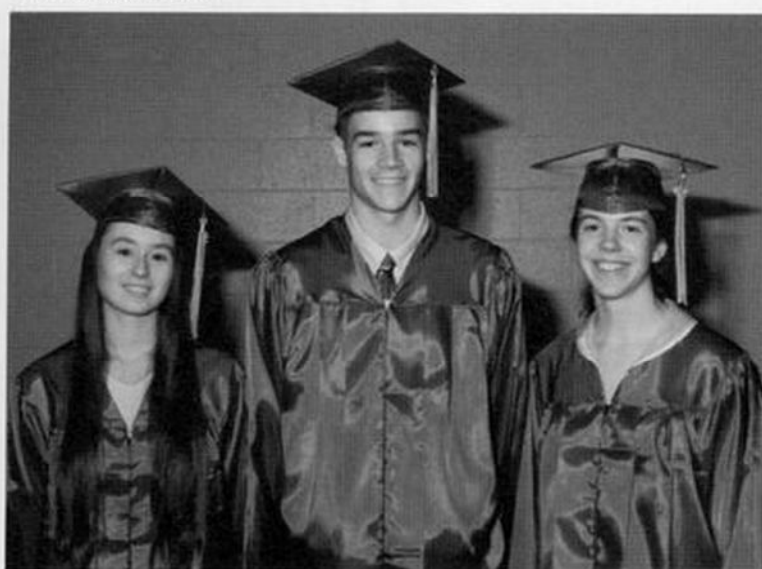
The 1997 Graduating Class: Row 1 — Erik Heinemann, Ethan Johnson, Susan Totten, Aleisha Broce, Katie Keller, Kimberly Hendrick, Tamsyn Kerr, Shannon Barnisky, Megan Terry, Anita Grimes. Row 2 — Kathleen Lacasse, Aaron Vaughan, Jessica VanReenan, Jimmy Holbert, Phillip Anderson, Ryan Mickle, Chris Cole, Randy Friel, David Young, Tommy Grubb, Jana Kelly. Row 3 — Charlene Hamilton, Elizabeth Clark, Nathaniel Sizemore, Hanna Smith, Paul Barb, Luke Bennett, Katrina Richards, Lora Calhoun, Jenny Cox, Eugene Strader. Row 4 — Phyllis McCray, Chris McClure, Danny Meeks, Jamie Friel, Lisa Cassell, Crystal McCarty, Crystal Ray, Shelia Kramer, Karen Hill, Jason Ulderich. Row 5 — Rhonda Sacra, Teresa Phillips, Selena Hendrick, Terri Auldrige, Stacey Dickenson, Kris Nutter, Bradley McDaniels, Chris Campbell, Christina Moore, Matthew Alderman, Jason Morris, Trevor Nelson. Row 6 — Kelly Rataiczak, Robbie Long, Joshua Coleman, Gerald Bond, Jeff Fox, Jeff Bennett. Row 7 — Stephanie Nelson, Kristy Wilfong, Chanda Hill, Shawn Kelly, Randy Doss, Jamie Teter, David Ames, Stacy Green, Bucky Foe, Ian Bennett, Mike Turner. Row 8 — Richard Thompson, Star Miller, April Blankenship, Marlene Jones, Brian Beverage, Rhonda Alderman, Billy Fischl, Bradley Nelson, James Peteete, Chad Kizer. Row 9 — Billy Joe McKenney, Joe Hicks, Travis Keatley, Mark Buzzard, Evan Bosley, Adam Taylor, David Rexrode, Aaron Childers, Jonathan Owens, Willie Rose, Jason Fox.



Looking pleased with the overall ceremony is Jana Kelly as she prepares to leave PCHS for the last time.



Hanna Smith, Co-Salutatorian; David Young, Valedictorian; and Elizabeth Clark, Co-Salutatorian.



The first row of graduates rise to walk up on the stage to receive their diplomas.



PLACING The Final Piece!

As the 1996-97 school year came to an end, so did two drastic changes for PCHS — adjusting to a new principal and implementing block scheduling.

Mr. Sanders was announced as the new principal for PCHS in the summer of '96. Not only was he starting at a new school, he was starting at a school with a new class schedule.

After two years of discussion, block scheduling was implemented. A change was made from seven 45-minute periods to four 85-minute blocks, with an hour for lunch and nontime activities.

As the school year progressed, the doubts of block scheduling went away; but they returned at the end of the first term, when everyone had to take finals. However, with one term over, block scheduling was proven a success.

The success was because of the teachers and students, who all worked hard to make this change smooth. Mr. Sanders also proved to be a successful principal. He was responsible for several improvements during his first year at PCHS.

This school year was very different and was challenging to adjust to Block Scheduling.
— Justin Rider, Junior

School has been better this year, but it's still school!

— Fane Irvine, Junior

I've had a great four years, and I wish it would not end. I wish I could start it all over again.

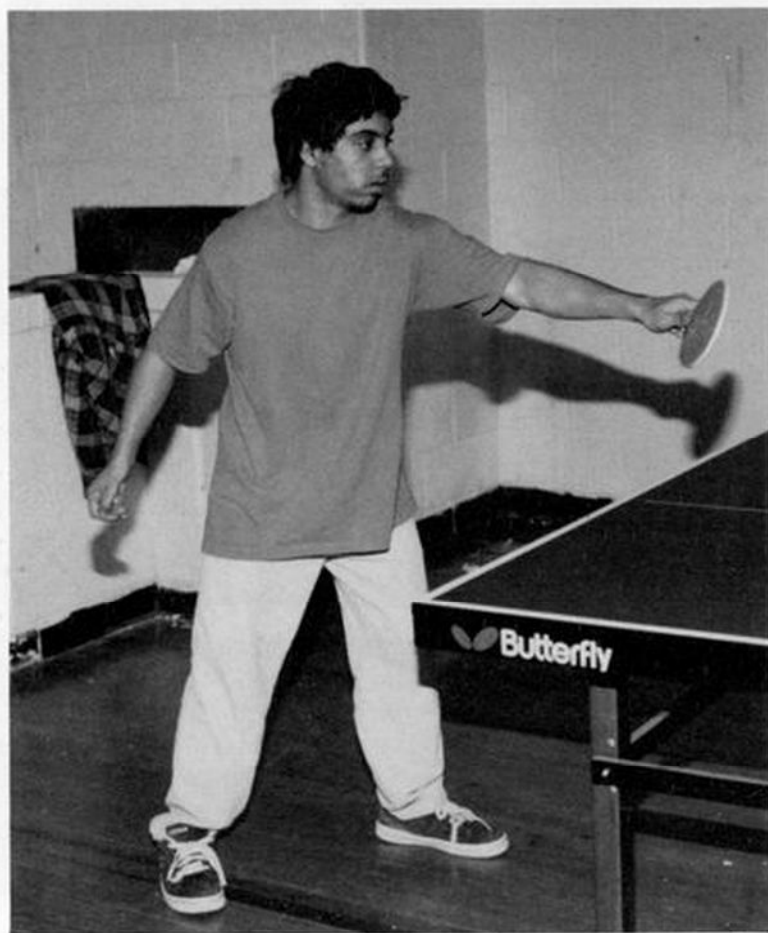
— Ian Bennett, Senior

I'll be happy when I leave!

— Randy Doss, Senior

I like block scheduling because of less homework and teachers had time to really teach.

— Brandy Landis, Junior



Sophomore Hope May shows her feelings about school to her friend and classmate Megan McGee.

Michael Worth, senior, shows us how he spent his free time as a student at PCHS.



At the end of the school day some students rush to get their favorite seat on the bus, while others spend the last few minutes spreading gossip!



Kellyn Cassell, freshman, seems to be anxious to get on his bus and get home!

Philip Wade, sophomore, casually walks to his bus while senior Tommy Grubb concentrates on what happened in his 5th block class.







Mom + Dad:
Thanks so much
for everything
I could do more
damn it what
you both love
Crystal

Mom & Dad,
Thanks so
much for
everything!
I can't say
thanks enough!
Love,
Tamara

Félicitations,
Elizabeth, Jessica,
Katrina, David,
Tatiana, Cindy,
et
Kathleen!
S.H.F.

Mrs. T. Rhea,
Thanks for
all you have
done for us!!
you are a great
advisor + teacher.
Love:
Kim
Stacey
Shelia
Jessie

Yearbook
Staff:
Job well
done!
Mrs.
Rhea

Shan; Thanks
for always
being there and
understanding
Love
Always Brian

Christopher, I'll miss
you when your gone!
When you get out of the
police academy don't
give me any speeding
tickets. Congratulate
Buckhead. I'll miss you
the house I'll have to
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Mom + Dad,
Thanks so
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Mom, Dad & Stephen
Thanks for being
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To our Sexy Boy
Good luck w/
all the girls
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Love Always Crystal

Shelia
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Thank u being
there for
me!
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Mom + Dad;
thank you so much
for everything.
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Congratulations, Susan!
YOU DID IT!
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